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GREAT BRITAIN dropping the gold standard will help business in that country, particularly hobby collectors. The act will not affect business adversely as some might think, but will stimulate it. Abandoning the go.d standard simply means that the government withdraws its guarantee to redeem its banknotes in gold. That will have the effect, to some extent, of retarding international settlements with that country. On the other hand since the value of their money has frankly depreciated, their people will no longer hoard it, but will rush to spend it. The British people are very conservative and they know that fundamentally their country is sound. They will exchange their banknotes among themselves freely. This will stimulate greater business activity as long as they can trade among themselves. It will help the collecting business because investors will not keep their money on interest so much, but many will put their extra money in stamps, coins, and other hobbies that are bound to enhance in value in a period of inflation.

Both Germany and France took the means of inflation to pay their own internal debts. If a creditor owes you money, he can pay you in legal tender. There is no law or agreement that he has to pay you in gold. Under depreciated money conditions, creditors do not hoard money but rush to get rid of it. As they pay each other off, the money constantly depreciates in value. As in the case of Germany, it may depreciate to nothing. Then follows a new law and a new issue of currency based on sound value. This currency is naturally scarce and then follows a cycle of low prices, scarce money, readjustment and the headache that inevitably follows inflation.

France's franc before the war was worth 20c in American money. Today it is stabilized at 4c. We predict that Great Britain will keep the brakes set against wild inflaion. Their banknotes will depreciate till such time as the country has liquidated its internal indebtedness, after which time it



will be stabilized before any great damage is done. Some students of economics predict that it will be a good thing.

We don't think the orgy will reach the United States, although it might be a temporary blessing if it did. We have too large a proportion of the world's gold. Right now we are in the identical position of a man whose spirits are depressed and who needs a shot of stimulant. If we took measures to inflate the currency as we did during the World War, we would soon have easy times again and free and liberal money, but the great danger is in overdoing it, in which case there would follow the inevitable headache. We are just about over the last national "drunk" and if we stick to it, we will come out normal and sober. If we start taking the "hooch" of inflation we will have to undergo the pain again and it would be foolish to follow such a policy.

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The present situation raises the old cry of silver money. That has nothing directly to do with the present situation. If, however, production of silver could be controlled by the nations of the world as the production of diamonds is controlled, the white metal could serve a very useful purpose in maintaining a metallic standard in all the countries of the world, much to the benefit of every people. Without control of silver production, it is the height of foolishness to talk about it as a medium of money exchange.

A New York banker claims that any reform in the banking laws should originate among the bankers themselves. If the bankers have no more ability to handle reforms than they have shown in handling the people's money, it is about time for the public to do its own reforming inasmuch as the public, who are the depositors, has vital interests at stake.

Numismatists who have studied the history of coins know that in the short history of this country, we have gone through exactly what Europe has in recent years. More than once our national currency has depreciated to nothing. The American dollar which stands proudly today as the unit base for all the world's intrinsic wealth has more than once been humbled in the dust. That is why gold is so important. Outside of gold, any other form of money is worth only what it would bring as junk. It is what is back of it that counts. We think this will do for economics this time, before someone tells us to "go hire a hall."

Our readers have probably noticed that Hobbies was first out with the report and pictures of the American Philatelic Society Convention at Men.phis. We even beat the weeklies. We were a little dubious about how Hobbies would be received by this group of "highbrow" collectors but after hearing the universal favorable comment we were more certain of the future of Hobbies than ever before. It was surprising how many of these big stamp collectors were also general collectors.

Last month we told about Henry Diamant's family collections. L. P. Wulff,

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Chairman of the Convention Committee, collects along various different lines and has donated a number of valuable antiques to the Memphis Museum. A. H. Murchison, one of our subscribers from Muskogee, Oklahoma, I found was also an Indian Relic collector of some note. A collector of one hobby is nearly always interested in all phases of collecting.

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Robert Smeltzer of Philadelphia writes that he cuts up various parts of Hobbies for his scrapbook collection so that he can keep all the information on the subjects in which he is vitally interested. For that reason he subscribes for two copies of Hob-BIES.

We believe George H. Remsburg, California, is the most prolific reader on our subscription list. We are indebted to him for a great quantity of wonderful clippings covering hobbies of every kind.

A publisher apparently has "his public" the same as a movie actor. A Michigan fan sent us a box containing flowers, preserved fruit, and ripe tomatoes. The tomatoes might have been more appropriate had we been appearing in person. Most of the gifts that reach us come from the feminine readers. Maybe they have found that we are a bachelor, but since we never made any claim to looks, it must be something e.se.

Mr. Eidemiller of the Chicago, Milwaukee St. Paul & Pacific Railroad Company informs me that his road donated one of the stone cannon balls shown in our last issue to the Field Museum in Chicago. Like a lot of other Chicagoans I should visit the Field Museum more often. The Milwaukee Road runs through the Cannon Ball River country in North Dakota where these cannon balls are found and I understand they have taken considerable interest in them, having at one time displayed some of the cannon balls in their various passenger offices.

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Courtesy Hygela
A glorious Autumn sunrise calls these two shell collectors
to the beach for new specimens.



"If I were a physician prescribing for the ills of body and mind, I know I should have one sovereign remedy. Even now, as a layman, I present my panacea. If you are dull, if you are unhappy, if you are bored—collect! It gets you out-of-doors, it gets you out of yourself, and, best of all, if you do it intelligently, you cannot help knowing something more about the world's history and civilization. You are creating a background. These joys have been mine, and I speak as one in authority, because through the width of our countryside, I am now known as one of the 'antique' ladies."—Alice Van Leer Carrick.

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Bring out your

GLASS

COLLECTION

for the Thanksgiving Feast

IN order that real personality and charm may prevail at your Thanksgiving festivities dust off your antique or unusual modern pieces of glassware and put them to use on that day. Perhaps, your table will not be as bountiful as in years gone by. All the more reason for bringing forth your works of art, for feasting is not altogether a matter of food.

The spirit of you and your guests can feast on the story of romance

and adventure that is a part of each piece on the dining room table. And if there be non-collectors of this ancient art around the festive board, there may be born the embryo of another glassware connoisseur.

"The art of glass making," writes Leonora R. Baxter in The Golden Book, "dates back to the first century B. C., and began with the humble blow pipe." Continuing the story, Miss Baxter says in part:

"It is known that the Egyptians were early in the field as glass makers of skill, and that the Romans copied their product, quickly achieving a highly distinctive phase of beauty. Romans used glass for more domestic purposes than we do today.

"The famous Portland vase, which Wedgwood so faithfully copied, is glass, (cameo) and its stormy career proves the durability of this material—for not only has it resisted the corroding touch of time, but emerged triumphant and apparently whole after having suffered the blows of a lunatic. It was found in a sarcophagus near Rome in the sixteenth century, and

These cuts loaned through courtesy of The Golden Book

An old Bohemian vase reproduction in clear and ruby glass, showing the century-old stag pattern.

is supposed to have been made in the time of Antonius—138-161, A. D. It was the property of the Barberini family for about two hundred years, then was bought by the Duchess of Portland and presented to the British Museum, where it holds its own as one of the glass wonders of the world.

This cameo glass is made by applying numerous layers of glass on top of the original foundation, then cutting away the outer coats to form the decorative pattern.

"It was not until the fifth century B. C.



From a Collection of Modern Murano Glass

that Venice became the leader in the manufacture of glass, eventually monopolizing the industry. A small group of men, pursued by religious fanatics, sought refuge on a cluster of oozy islands that were tabooed by all other human beings, and by virtue of idealism and hard labor made of them the glory and wonder of the world. The history of Venice is a fairy tale founded on fact-a high tribute to the power of spirit and mind over matter. Humble fisherfolk these pio-

neers were, hounded by poverty and misfortune, yet their lofty conceptions turned everything they touched into beauty.

"Glass-making became an integral part of Venetian life, the artists working at first in a small way, at little individual furnaces. They had extraordinary advantages for its manufacture—abundance of fine sand, maritime plants yielding alkali—and isolation precluding competition. The existence of these natural advantages contributed to Venetian supremacy, but it is known that in the days of her triumph Venice was not content with home products and sent boats to the classic river Belus to gather the



Representing the artistic conceptions of four nations, these goblets offer a pleasant diversity. From left to right—English crystal with engraved rose design—Holland crystal in engraved flower design—Belgium crystal with conventional etched design—and domestic crystal with optic effect.

sands celebrated by many pagan writers. Later on, becoming jealous of the prying world, Venice removed her glass workers to the easily guarded island of Murano, where the imprisoned artists brought their art to its supreme height.

"In the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries the Saracens made glass of great beauty, and it was about this time that the Germans began to manufacture glass, but at first it was coarse and heavy, and completely lacked the charm of the Venetian output. India, Persia, Spain, Assyria, and Greece, all made glass of distinction rt varying periods, but in the long run France, Eng-

land, Italy, Germany, and the Low Countries achieved leadership and still retain it, although America is not far behind and is gaining ground all the ime.

"China has always excelled in every branch of ceramic art, but paid little or no attention to the making of glass until the eighteenth cenury. Today they produce glass of the greatest beauty and most intricate workmanship. Often their objects of



From left to right—dark green Bristol whiskey bottle—Colonial decanter—Early American decanter and a pair of old Waterford salts,



Our reach pressed grass sweet-meat jar, showing the snakeskin design of the Sandwich factory. Typical of the quaintness and beauty of Sandwich pressed glass.

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clear glass are painted on the inside with landscapes, birds, etc.—and the bibelots they cut from solid blocks of glass, crystal, or colored quartz are not only delectable, but so costly as to be beyond the reach of most of us.

"The story of glass in England began in 675 A. D. when the Abbot of Wearmouth sent to France for artisans to make glass. By 1696 it is recorded that there were eighty-eight glass factories in England, although the most important period in the industry did not come until the eighteenth century.

"Someone has said that the social history of England was written in her drinking glasses. England was a hard-drinking country, full of taverns and clubs, and for nearly three centuries manufacturers found it necessary to produce drinking glasses in enormous quantities.

"In Ireland the exceptional quality of the g ass produced at Cork and Waterford fixed the attention of the world upon those places as the source of the best glass in that country. A great deal was produced on order from old Irish families, and the decanters and wine glasses were especially beautiful. Irish glass is very tough and sings a clear note when struck.

"As early as the sixth century the French



A very rare old South Jersey water pitcher, one of a pair. It is deep seagreen glass with superimposed lilypad decoration and a threaded neck.

were notable workers in glass, and made many improvements in the process, importing Greek workmen for the purpose. Very little old French glass is to be found nowadays, and it is hard to understand why even collections of it are few and meager.

"The Swedish glass industry goes back to the seventeenth century. The oldest existing factory of importance, Kosta, founded

> in 1741 produced a long line of skilled workmen, but until ten years ago there were few artists with creative ideas, capable of 'thinking in glass.'

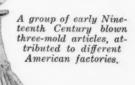
> "Glass making was America's first industry. In 1607 enterprising colonists of Virginia





Modern glass—a fan vase, bubbly glass vase, and oval bowl from the Corning Glass Works

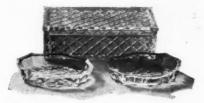
Reproduction of a Stiegel candlestick. All through the sea-green glass are the tiny bubbles or flecks so typical of Stiegel ware. The much used design is etched in paler green



started a small bottle factory about a mile from Jamestown, and two years later a shipment of glass bottles was the first export from this country. After this success glass blowers were brought from Italy and another factory was established for the jurpose of making beads to trade with the Indians for furs.

"The history of Sandwich glass is somewhat shrouded in mystery, as is much of the glass making of early America. The name Deming Jarvis is closely connected with it, and he writes that as early as 1815 he imported "pressed glass" from Holland and England—which probably explains why the dolphin was so constantly used in Sandwich candlesticks, compotes and other pieces. Dolphins date from the Middle Ages, when they were a favorite form of decoration with glass-makers, including the





Old diamond cut Waterford glass furnished the inspiration for this clear crystal cigarette set.

"The production of glass at Sandwich, Massachusetts, covered a period between 1825 and 1888. A rival company at New Bedford, Massachusetts, gave the Sandwich outfit steady and well sustained competition, and it is impossible to attribute various patterns as between the two.

"The credit of being the first maker of flint glass in this country is given by some authorities to Casper Wistar, who landed in Philadelphia in 1717, and together with imported glass-workers from Holland, founded a plant in Salem County, New Jersey, which was later known as Wistarberg, or Allowaystown. To Wistar was also given the precedence over all others for the successful use of both clear and colored glass in one object. His factory produced many beautiful things, and in all of them Dutch influence is easily discernible. South Jersey rightfully claims the production of quantities of exquisite glass, as does Saratoga, New Hampshire, Connecticut, and so on." -Courtesy The Golden Book.

PITCHERS

Have you a love for pitchers? If you have you will envy Mrs. Emma Rohlfs Maier, Iowa, and her more than four hundred specimens.

Mrs. Maier, who is past 80, takes great pride in her large collection, and enjoys showing it and relating the story pertaining to each pitcher.

Her first pitcher was a gift, at eight years of age, from her mother. She served drinks out of it then, to a number of her young friends, not knowing its worth. This pitcher's history centers around her greatgrandmother's wedding presents of 1774.

Several of the pitchers were given to Mrs. Maier by her friends who have known

of her hobby. Some of them are souvenirs that she gathered in her travels. On one of her trips to Europe, she obtained a specimen from each of the 16 countries that she visited.

Among the choice pieces are a Rudolstadt, a royal Doulton, a green Wedgewood, a royal Turnstall which has the E. Pluribus Unum coat of arms upon it, a royal Saxonly and one of lustre ware. The original process of making has been lost for the latter.

The smallest one in the lot perhaps is one that is kept in a ring box. It is a souvenir from Shakespeare's old home.

Chicago Woman Is Champion Collector

By O. C. LIGHTNER

WE have been very insistent in our views that a real collector is a lover of all things along collection lines. We have no sympathy for those who claim that a stamp collector, for instance, is not interested in rare books, nor that a coin collector is not interested in Indian relics. Too many stamp collectors have written in to us to the contrary, and too many collections have come to our attention that cover from two to a dozen subjects.

One of the most interesting collectors that I have yet met in my experience as publisher of Hobbies is Mrs. D. Harry Hammer who lives in an old stone mansion on Lake Park Avenue, Chicago. Lake Park Avenue, forty to fifty years ago, was an old horse and buggy road to the then thriving village of Hyde Park.

Mrs. Hammer has her home completely filled with collection material that amounts practically to a museum. Girls' clubs and women's societies have come in groups from as far as several hundred miles to spend the day at her home, and she has always made it a rule to serve them a gratuitious lunch while they feast their eyes on her collection. If anyone can beat her wide variety of items, will they please inform me, so I can recount it in these pages?

She has a collection of 500 bells made of various materials and collected from all parts of the world. Some are strung on leather straps so that one may hear the tinkle of their sweetly musical notes. She said she knew of only one other collection of bells, although HOBBIES has several subscribers who collect them. She is one of the original members of the Coverlet Guild and has a collection of coverlets, one of the eldest hobbies of women.

And how the Congressional Library at Washington would love to have her marvelously wonderful collection of Uncle Sam cartoons. There are between forty and fifty thousand cartoons in dozens of albums depicting Uncle Sam from one hundred or more years ago up to the present time.

She has a collection of paisley shawls, another collection of coats-of-arms of families and institutions. One hallway wall

in her mansion is covered with Napoleon pictures. Another is covered with pictures of the Queens.

In her bedroom she has a wall covered with a collection of eighty framed Madonnas, and has 300 of them in all. Another of perfume containers. Our readers will remember the ale mug collection showed on our front cover page last month.

A memento of her husband, the late Judge Hammer, is a collection of Masonic convention badges. We have quite a number of badge collectors among our readers.

Her collection of bottles came from all parts of the world. One can look at them and pick out the country of their origin. She has a collection of Indian head pictures that beats the one Mr. Fiske showed me in North Dakota. Still another collection is beads—and these are not a collection of the ordinary kind of department-store beads that one would surmise. They are made of various materials and came from different parts of the world many of them made by savages and semi-civilized people, showing the various material from which they made their beads and how they strung them.

There are also many individual specimens. How many ever saw the old-time brasier, made of brass and very ornamental which sits in the center of the rooms and burns charcoal? Who has seen the old-fashioned, round, brass bed-warmers? I have looked high and low for some of the beautiful old-fashioned glass beaded portieres such as adorn her place.

Her oriental lamps as well as the more modern types add a glow of beauty to all the rest. She has two small lamps from the Levantine that were made before the time of Christ. The furniture and every object in the home is a rare antique, among them an old-fashioned four-poster bed with canopy which would be a sight for connoisseurs of antique furniture.

Before I left she asked me the same question that some of my readers might: "Which of the collections did you enjoy most?" I believe I liked the bell collection best.

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Nicola Has a Curious Collection of Clocks

When you want to know the time, ask Nicola, the magician.

In twenty-six years of touring abroad, Nicola, it is said, has accumulated, among lots of other curios, an unusual collection of timepieces. In every country he visited, he bought or bartered for one. He has Chinese sundials, Hindu hourglasses, wrought-iron Russian clocks, delicately carved Swiss clocks, and watches, handpainted Japanese chime-clocks, a watch with the crest of the Siamese royal family. And a battered dollar watch, made in America, but ultimately finding its way to a south sea island, where the reigning monarch had it incrusted with pearls and precious stones .- E. Brooks.

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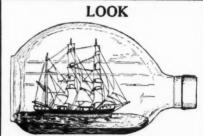
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Souvenir Hunting

Among the recent finds of a souvenir hunter in Virginia City, Minn., recently was an imitation glass cigar five feet long that was used to advertise a famous cigar store 50 years ago. The device, forerunner of modern electric signs, was lighted with gas and is constructed of 15,000 to 20,000 glass prisms.

Romantic Curios

There were many romantic curios in the exhibition of Scottish antiques recently he'd in London. Many women visitors found the baby clothes of Charles I among the most interesting of the exhibits. They included a little cap, which might well be worn by a modern baby-three centuries haven't changed the particular fashion so very much it was observed. The child who wore the baby clothes was to go down in history as the "Royal martyr" and his fate is recalled by another relic and curio-a crystal locket which contains a clot of blood taken from his scaffold.



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A group of modern and old Mexican products, including a rare old Saltillo, modern Oaxaca basket, handblown glass and an engaging toy. These are among the many things recently acquired by Fred Leighton, owner of the Indian Trading Post, Chicago, during a three months' stay in Mexico.

HAVE FINE Bird Egg Collection taken on a debt, that I will sell reasonably.—George Trato, 1 Grand Blvd, Battle Creek, Mich.

FOR SALE—Mounted birds life-like, Armadillo baskets, long horns, Mexican pottery, feather cards and Zarapes. Beaded belts and hat bands. Hand-painted Bluebonnet vases.—Powell Curio Co., 410 W. Houston, San Antonio, Tex. pmy32

CANE Collectors, Attention, Wooden cane, horn handle, silver mounting, \$1.00. Plain wooden cane, knob handle, 50c. Bamboo cane, 50c. Wooden cane. carved figures in relief and colored—leaves, eagle, bull-fight scenes, \$1.00. All these are relics. Get these bargains!—R. Mosoriak, 6219 Ingleside Ave., Chicago, Ill.

WANTED—Small button collections, costume and military.—Box 50, Hobbies, 2810 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill. ja3001

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UNUSUAL HOBBIES

Each month this department awards \$5.00 for the story of the most unusual hobby submitted. If you have a hobby that is unique, or know of some one else who has one, be sure to suggest it to the Prize Editor. News pertaining to inexpensive unusual collections is especially desired. A \$5.00 prize is to be awarded soon, also, to the person who sends in the best letter regarding, what he or she expects to do eventually with his or her collection. If you haven't sent your story in, do so. It may win the prize.

Circusania

This month the \$5.00 prize award goes to the Sunny South. Charles Bernard, Georgia, who collects circusania is the winner. Mr. Bernard's collection, in addition to being interesting and unusual contains many important specimens of rare photographs, books, posters, and relics of circuses through the Eighteenth and Nineteenth centuries.

Military Material

Chas. B. Hill-Tout of Victoria B. C. Canada, collects military helmet plates, caps, collars, shoulder badges or insignia, of the British Empire of which he has already over 7,500 specimens all different, as well as military buttons of which he has 3500 and is still going strong.

This is in addition to over 60 British military medals and Canadian First Flight airmail covers.

SPECIMENS WANTED

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2. Native (natural) IRON—not iron ore, but the actual metal itself. Interested in any piece or mass of metallic iron, found on surface or plowed up, if believed to be of natural origin.

S. H. PERRY

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Toothpicks

A quaint collection of toothpicks in Berlin contains some 2,000 exhibits gathered by Dr.Hans Sachs, a Berlin dentist. Some of these specimens date back to Roman times. After that there seems to be a gap in this form of oral hygiene, but beginning with the Fourteenth Century the fashion is taken up again, and from this period up to the present day there is an exhaustive outlay of specimens in all shapes and of all materials.

1300 Speeches

One of the many interesting and unusual hobbies that has been brought to the attention of the Editor during the past month is that of Francis W. Peterson, Chicago, a recent visitor at HOBBIES' headquarters. Mr. Peterson has a collection of phonograph records which comprises recorded speeches of prominent men of the world. He already has 1300 of these records in his collection.

Golf Clubs

Frank R. Johnson, Kansas City, Mo., has probably one of the most unique collections in that city, and one that would be the envy of many a sportsman.

It is a collection of old-time golf clubs. Among his collection are first clubs used in Kansas City, several of which are almost fifty years old. Many of these, once the best in golfdom, were cast aside for newer and better equipment.

Mrs. Johnson runs her husband a close second with her collection which is beads. She has strings from many foreign countries. The prize string is one that has been in her family a century.

Unusual Decorations

George Waugh, Californian, has a strange hobby. He collects horseshoes, jack knives, advertising medals and all kinds of unusual decorations. His greatest delight is displaying some of his treasures on his coat and vest.

Collects Church Music

A collection of all existent music composed for Roman Catholic church services has been collected and is being published by Monsignor Casimiri, director of the Lateran choir. He presented the first volume to the Pope.

Song Collecting Is Hobby of Judge



COLLECTING the songs that people sing is the hobby of Judge Louis B. Hart of Buffalo, N. Y. Judge Hart has become an expert on the popular songs of the coun-

try from Civil war days to the present, and has at the Grosvenor Library, in that city, one of the most complete collections of popular music in the world.

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Forsaking Advertising for Archaeology

HAL NOBLE, JR., Assistant Advertising Manager of the Marshall Field Chicago retail store, is forsaking advertising for archaeology. Mr. Noble has resigned to enter the University of Chicago's Oriental Institute preparatory to work in the near East.

1,000 Bugs

Professor John S. Dolley, an entomologist at the University of Illinois, had been touring for six weeks looking for ants, bees, dragon flies, earwigs, spiders and other specimens. About 1,000 specimens were collected, indexed and placed in a suit case.

The professor and his wife drove into Chicago recently, parked their car on the street and went away for a few hours. They returned to find the suit case and bugs had been stolen.

Currier & Ives

We learn from a New York subscriber that six Currier & Ives prints, in excellent condition, went at good prices at Hebron, recently within almost a stone's throw of the birthplace of Lorenzo Don, the one-time famous traveling revivalist.

Carl B. Jones, the town constable was auctioneer. He knocked down "Winter" in the Currier & Ives famous series, "The Seasons," for \$9 and "Summer for \$5. Both were framed.

"Moonlight" brought \$4, "Farm Scene" \$1.35, "A Pony Sleigh" \$2.75 and "A Tavern Table With New Top" \$15.50.

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If you are interested in a general hobby club where you can meet interesting people, talk over the hobby business, exhibit your trophies and view the trophies of others, write Miss E. L. Seide, R. 1, Downers Grove, Ill. Recreation, fun and benefit await you.



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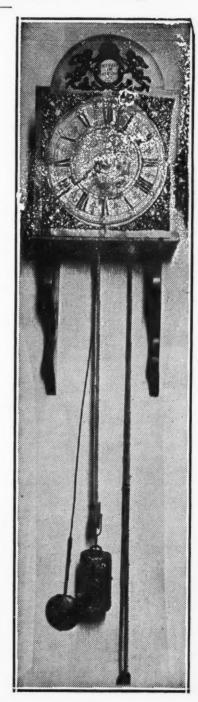
One of the recent, most interesting and valued donations of antiques received in connection with the rehabilitation and refurnishing of the Arlington Mansion, is a fine old clock presented by the Robert E. Lee Chapter, United States Daughters of the Confederacy, of Kansas City, Mo. This clock was made by Jacobus De Deurwaer, Der 1762, in Holland, as indicated on its face and its pendulum. It is in a good state of preservation and is equipped for striking the hours and may also be utilized as an alarm for any set hour. It forms a most appropriate feature for the delightfully reminiscent setting in the restoration of this beautiful old southern mansion with its intimate associations with George Washington and later, with the period suggestive of the young manhood of Robert E. Lee and the families of Lee, Custis and others of the old South. It is considered as a highly treasured addition to the other attractive furnishings of the mansion which have been acquired during the placing of the building and its interior in the condition in which they existed prior to the Civil War. The progress which has been made has created much interest in and praise for the care and effort to accomplish this restoration to the full extent of the wishes of Congress under the direction and charge of the Quartermaster General of the Army .- Issued by the Department of War.

Pony Express Gavel

When Arthu. Chapman of New York, was in St. Joseph, Mo., recently gathering data in that city for a book on the Pony Express, he was presented with a Pony Express gavel, similar to many made from the large center crossbeam taken from an old Pony Express barn there.

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A Bibliography of Important Dime Novels

By W. R. JOHNSON

THE literature of the "dime novel" is quite extensive and consists for the most part of scattered references in magazines which appeared at intervals over a period of nearly seventy years. Any attempt to collect the references involves considerable difficulty and although a search has been made of Poole's Index, Readers Guide and other sources, the list is probably incomplete. It is hoped that readers knowing of other published material relating to "dime novels" or their markers, will send them to the publisher.

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- Autographs

A Good Start

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"When the Hoovers spent a few days in Cedar Rapids before the inaugural, it was my good fortune to meet Mrs. Hoover. Later, I wrote her in the White House and she responded on official stationery in her own handwriting. Admiral Byrd, while lecturing in this city, met a group of boys and gave his signature to all. As memories of Shakespearean performances of the Ben Greet Players of England, I have studio portraits of Sir Philip Ben Greet and Russell Thorndike, who played "Hamlet," which are autographed to me.

"My attempts at obtaining signatures of royalty have been thwarted. From Spain, before the republic was declared, came a letter from Senor Sobreno, secretary to Alphonso XIII, saying the King was unable to give his autograph. The letter was on palace stationery and sealed with the Bourbon sealing wax. It was written in Spanish, the language in which I made the requests. Although I have written for the autograph of King Albert of Belgium and George V of England, I have had response from neither.

"Andre Maurois, French author of 'Disraeli' and other famous biographies, sent an autographed post-card picture of himself; while George Arliss, star in the stage and film 'Disraeli,' mailed an autographed

photograph of himself. Thornton Wilder of 'Bridge of San Luis Rey' fame sent a letter of thanks and best wishes and also his signature."

"Times are so tough," we learn from a writer in the *Chicago Daily News*, "that the autograph hunters are now asking only for initials."

Signed Too

"One of the proudest little girls in New York City, recently, says the Associated Press is eight-year-old Dorothy Guth.

Several weeks ago Dorothy, whose parents are German, saw headlines in the newspapers about the financial crisis in Germany. She took a dollar bill her father had given her, carefully enclosed it to the German government in care of a German newspaper,

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Who Has This?

On the first of June, 1853, Victor Hugo sent a package, containing a lock of his hair to Juliette Drouet, with a note saying, "For you, sweet angel."

The lock of hair was for a while in the possession of L. Louis Barthou, but was bought by a Belgian collector of books, relics, etc. This gentleman has just sold his collection. Who has the lock of hair?

Rudolf Block of New York has a collection of nearly six hundred canes and walking sticks of every known description. These canes are from all parts of the world.

"I consider the enclosed dollar check for renewal as per bill received today, the best investment there is, paying as it does many dollars in dividends of pleasant hours of rading. What other investment will pay you anything these days?"—Harry Weiss,

Cock Spurs Finance Hobby

Wade Johnson, a blacksmith of LaGrange, Ohio, has a collection of antiques and curios which is reputed to be one of the most interesting and valuable in Northern Ohio.

Johnson started his collection about twenty years ago with the income derived from the sale of cock spurs of his making. His spurs became widely known and he found ready sale for them in Cuba, the Philippines and South American countries where cock fighting is a recognized sport. He turns these spurs out from an old fashioned forge, doing most of the work himself.

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Exploration of the Etowah Mounds

Dr. Warren K. Moorehead of Phillips Academy spent three winters exploring the famous Etowah mounds at Cartersville, Georgia. Many intriguing discoveries were made in the stone sarcophagi of Mound C, and in the village site. The elite of the Mound-builders were interred in stone coffins and their slaves and warriors buried in the field nearby. On these bodies reposed pearl beads, beautiful engraved shells and copper repousse plates, upon which were depicted ancient Etowans dressed in ceremonial robes. DeSoto and Portuguese explorers visited similar villages. Mr. C. C. Willoughby of the Peabody Museum, Harvard University, after years of study, presents a paper on symbolism of the Etowans. This publication is now on press. It is fully illustrated. Price \$4.00 postpaid.

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Factors That Determine the Value of Gems

(Continued)

By A. J. HARSTAD

NIATURE seems to have placed a limit on the size of most of the crystallized gem minerals. Not that there are no exceptions, because once in a while a comparatively gigantic specimen is uncovered, generally in the quartz group, beryls, topaz, garnet, spodumene or tourmaline. Mainly, however, the sizes come within a fairly definite average. For example, in the Montana sapphire, crystals in the range of one-fourth to three-eighth inch would be the ordinary sizes (a good many smaller than that of course) and from three-eighths of an inch and up would be getting into the larger and consequently rarer gems. In some species such as the chrysoberyls, hiddenite, benitoite, ruby, euclase, iolite, etc., good finished gems of two to four carats are out of the ordinary and any of them reaching from five to ten carats finished weight are museum pieces. Many of the other species are procurable in larger sizes at little or no advance in price per carat but as a general rule taking two gems of the same kind and quality but of a different size the larger one will command a higher price per unit of weight or measurement. Also this difference in price may justly be a great one in some instances even if the difference in size is small because of the rarity of that particular mineral in the larger sizes. So if you buy a two carat gem at \$20 per carat it does not follow that you should be able to buy a three or four carat or even a two and a half carat gem of the same kind for \$20 per carat.

In valuing rough gems, however, not the weight of the rough stone itself but the probable weight of the finished stone that could be produced from it would have to be considered. A smaller stone might be worth as much or more than a larger one if the larger was of unsuitable shape, partially flawed, color unevenly distributed or defective in some other manner so that only a comparatively small gem could be made from it or that a great deal of sawing or waste would be necessary to get out the better part of the stone.

The next chapter will take up at length the influence of CUTTING on the beauty and desirability of a gem. I ask Hobbies' readers to pardon me for skipping one issue and for a short chapter this time, but I have been moving and the change of location kept me very busy.

Mr. Harstad, who until two or three weeks ago, operated his gem and mineral establishment from The Gem Shop, Wolf Creek, Montana, has moved his business to Helena, Montana in order to be in easier access of collectors and dealers, and to obtain larger quarters for his expanding business.

We know that the many persons who do business with Mr. Harstad will wish him success in his new quarters, and will be appreciative of the move. The new address of The Gem Shop is 15-Kohrs Block, Helena, Montana.—The Editor.

The Queen of Sheba's Mine

R bies, diamonds, platinum and gold, such as the Queen of Sheba is supposed to have worn when she visited King Solomon, were brought to London several weeks ago by Frank Pawter, big game hunter, from mines he believes were the sources of the Queen of Sheba's wealth. Payter found the gems and treasures in a cavern hidden in the unexplored country 320 miles due west of Addis Ababa, Abyssinia. He intends to organize a new expedition within a few months to go back and get what he left behind. An old Arab, he said, gave an English mining engineer a map in 1930 which the engineers showed Payter. The two men. he said, worked out the directions and discovered the treasure.

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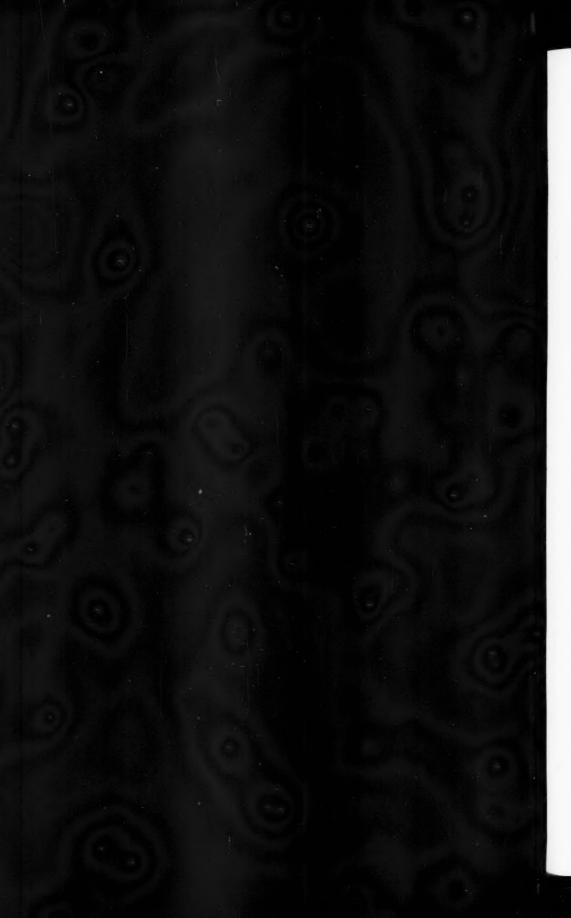
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Museums



Child Welfare

The Baby Moose at the Children's Museum of Boston entertains a visiting group

The Charm of the Children's Museum of Boston

By CATHERINE C. LEACH

MUSEUM manners demand that a youthful visitor to The Children's Museum of Boston shall neither chew gum nor eat candy while in the Museum, nor talk in an over-loud voice—nor run. But when some breathless little boy comes pounding up the driveway, whirling along his school bag as he races, and having reached the steps pauses not at all, but hurries top speed, for the second floor and the club meeting he is burning to attend, it is easy to and natural not to hear or see the flying figure. For such enthusiasm one dislikes to curb!

Enthusiasm Is the Charm of The Children's Museum

The children have it in the first place. The Staff has it from sheer contagion, from being with and interested in inquiring youth. Even the casual adult visitor shows it, after quickly sensing the spirit of the place.

So much to be done, so much to find out! Clubs for this. Clubs for that. Collecting, collecting, collecting. Pictures to clip from stacks of *National Geographics* and nature magazines. Lables to read in the cases, the kind that tell stories, not just dates and scientific Latin names. So much to find out-for one's self.

The Fall is joiners' season. Then clubs start up and although some Museumites manage to join every one on the list, not all can spare the time to belong to every group. Choices must be made.

Loretta of the dark hair and eyes, will join the Indian Pow Wow Club for her interest in North American Indians is a passion. She will read all the books on the reading room shelves that make any



Child Welfare

Members of the Travel Club studying volcanoes

mention of Redmen.

Then there are the nature study groups. Now Chester cannot hear a bird sing in the green early days of spring without wondering if he knows its note. Would that be a warbler? A Kingbird, perhaps? The museum incited his observation and enthusiasm.

The members of the Museum Plant Life Club have been a-tiptoe with enthusiasm all year. First it was when studying firs, they made turkey gobbler favors out of pine cones, in time to sell them to staff members needing appropriate place cards for Thanksgiving affairs. As the pipe-cleaner necks and legs were fastened on, they learned about the habits of the pines. Next it was the spatter prints of autumn leaves they made with colored inks and a blower and a sheet of white paper. Then it was something else.

Here are hobbies that live. And the boys and girls finding the Museum an outlet for their young enthusiasms come week-in, week-out, often day-in, day-out, because they want to come. They have found a treasure house where they can select from an endless store of hobbies just that particular one or those several special ones exactly suited to themselves. A

Stamp Club? Of course! The boys have made it theirs exclusively, for most of the girls take the collecting of stamps as part of the activities of the Travels-in Bookland Club. Not so the boys. A stamp club they would have, with exchanging, auctions and all that goes with it.

If a boy finds a new stamp from China and wishes to know more about the country from which it came all he has to do is—look around. A caseful of Chinese objects, many of them wooden models showing Chinese life in miniature, tells him about sampans, jinrikashas, mandarin coats,



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carved, jade, opium pipes, ploughing bullocks, laden coolies. Thus with India. Only here the miniature carts shown are of ivory and two white bullocks were drawing them. Ornaments are turquoise, not iade. Figurines of burden bearers have turbans instead of queques.

This year there is to be a shell club. It will be new. But already signs indicate it



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Young scientists from one of this class groups gathering specimens

will be taken up with enthusiasm. A summer exhibit of a rock pool with green and soft shell crabs, periwinkles, and other sea objects, a miniature in reality it is and the seashore scene draws many a girl and boy for thoughtful moments.

"Just like I saw at the seashore, this summer. See them sand dollars, there. I got a lot of those. I'm going to give some to the Museum."

Now the prospective donor is not aware that the storerooms of the Museum abound in sand dollars, starfish and scallop shells waiting to be given away to collectors like himself. He only knows he has made a find, and he wishes to offer it to his Museum. When he makes the offer, it will be accepted as made. His name will be taken, his address. He will be thanked as all donors are, he will be listed as such. The Museum is too well pleased with this manifestation of interest to refuse, even with a plethora of sand dollars, gifts of such insignificance. The Museum is aiming to fire not to extinguish enthusiasm, and to understand youth — youths' dreams — youths' hobbies.

Sculptress on World Tour

Miss Malvina Hoffman, noted sculptress of New York and Paris, was recently commissioned by the Field Museum, Chicago, to make more than 100 life-size figures, busts and heads representing all the principal races and types of mankind. She was scheduled recently to leave Chicago on a trip around the world. During this trip she will make studies in the various countries from living models. The figures, which will be in bronze, will form a principal feature of a projected new hall in the museum, Chauncey Keep Memorial Hall, which is to be devoted to the living races of man.

Queen's Gift to Museum

The Queen showed her interest in the Royal United Service Museum, Whitehall, by sending as a gift an interesting curio which had been in her own collection for some time.

It is a beautiful tortoiseshell and silver snuff box, commemorative of the Battle of Waterloo, with a silver coin bearing the head of the Duke of Wellington set in the lid.

Her Majesty a year ago presented to the museum a rare ivory card case, showing on one side Napoleon's tomb, and on the other the house in which he lived at St. Helena.—The Collector's Miscellany.

Museum Musings

Old Settlers celebrations throughout the country often bring forth relics of interest to museum curators.

Among the novel relics on display at such a celebration held a few weeks ago in Monticello, Ind., was an "ancient" Ford, Model 1911. The Ford is the property of Wheeler Brothers, Ind., and was originally owned by Ellis L. Wood of Flora, Ind.

Two Mos eggs were presented recently to the Dunedin National Museum, New Zealand, by a private collector, whose grandfather secured the relies more than fifty years ago.

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The Mos was a huge flightless bird similar to the ostrich, but larger. It was extinct when white men first went to New Zealand. The eggs are about ten inches in length. Only six of these, it is claimed, are in existence.

An "Album Quilt," eighty-three years old, formerly the property of parties in Des Moines, Ia., has been purchased by Henry Ford for his museum in Dearborn, Mich.

Dr. George Wyckoff Cummins, New Jersey, formerly professor of chemistry at Yale, has a very unique private museum.

His collections consist of rare books, documents, coins and antiques of every description,

A coffer pot by Paul Revere (1733-1818) has been given to the Boston museum by Mrs. Nathaniel Thayer, great-grand-daughter of the famous silversmith and patriot,

Seventy-six rare textiles, largely in shawl form, depicting various works of art, were recently added to the Minneapolis Institute of Arts, a gift of Mrs. Charles C. Bovey.

A collection of carvings in bamboo and vine roots, representing a high order of art development in symbolical statues, dishes, utensils, panels, vases, boxes and other objects, is on exhibition in the department of anthropology at Field Museum, Chicago.

Two pitchers, whose history shows that they were probably intended for use in Joseph Smith's first Mormon temple at Nauvoo, Ill., and which are now the property of Miss K. B. Borland, Pittsburg, Pa., have recently attracted the attention of the press.

Miss Borland is planning to give the two historic relics to the Carnegie Institute it is reported.

The Williamsburg- Jamestown Museum, Williamsburg, Va., has, it is said, one of the most important and complete collections of military equipment in the country. Included in the displays are various types of army uniforms, caps, military drums, machine guns, flags and swords. Other objects to attract the attention of students of history are antique lighting fixtures, including tin chandeliers, and tools used by early craftsmen in various trades as well as interesting pieces of furniture.

An antiquated mail wagon that was used before the advent of the automobile for rural deliveries has been bought by Henry Ford from Amos Reed of North Lewisburg, Ohio. The wagon has a high box set on four wheels.

Dr. Brinton K. Galbreath, retired physician, dentist, merchant and millwright, and pioneer of Chino, Calif., has a museum of relics and curios.

Charles S. Rogers, who died recently at Merced, Calif., had acquired a fine collection of Indian relics, from which he had formed a private museum at his ranch home on Bear Creek, in the foothills, near Merced.

Via Cairo: A richer Egyptian tomb than that of the great Tut-Ankh-Amen has been found close to the Sphinx in Egypt by Professor Hassan, of the University of Cairo. The tomb is that of Ra Ouer, who ruled as High Priest of Egypt nearly 5,000 years ago. It is believed contents of the tomb will bring to light hitherto unknown knowledge of life in the ancient days of mighty Egypt.

Rockefeller Makes Palestine

Museum Possible

ALL Palestine is said to be grateful to

A magnificient museum is being built with

the funds of Rockefeller's gift of \$2,000,000

The work is under the direction of J. H.

Iliffe, who has behind him a distinguished

archaeological career since his training at

Ancient buildings in Palestine, perhaps

more than any other, have suffered from

wars, earthquakes, the natives and souvenir

It is to be regretted says a news notice

that souvenir hunters in Palestine, pre-

tending to be archaeologists, would descend

on sites connected with biblical history, and

unskillfully break what they found with the

sole intention of carrying away some stone,

some inscription, or some piece of mosaic or

pottery to show off to their friends when

To prevent this the department of

antiquities was formed after the war, which

now allows only responsible persons, work-

ing under license to dig. Among those,

of course, is the American School of

Archaeology, whose headquarters are in

The museum will contain a complete

library so that explorers, after their winter

season's diggings, will be able to spend

their summer at the library completing

their work, without having to go abroad

University of Pennsylvania

More than 300 objects, many of them

more than 5,000 years old were on display at the University of Pennsylvania Museum

recently. The relics, the majority of which

date from the early Bronze age, were

uncovered at Tepe Gawra, Mesopotamia.

earliest pottery ever excavated in the Near

East, a small copper frying pan, and works

Included in the display is some of the

to the Palestine government.

Cambridge University.

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John D. Rockefeller, and small wonder.

Museum of Vienna.

A new department, devoted entirely to

superstitions of all races and ages, has

been opened recently in the Ethnological

Children at play in Belgrade recently

found bits of bone and pottery which

according to Dr. Miodrag Grbich, curator

of the National Museum at that place, may

mean a change in ideas regarding the cul-

ture of southeastern Europe in the Neolithic

period, which in that part of the continent

extended from 5,000 B. C. to 2,500 B. C.

a result of the children's find, and three

of these contained axes, pottery and other

relics, which appear to be of the early

The land and the sea have contributed

specimens for the private collection of Geo.

W. Smith, Peoria, Ill. In writing Hobbies

concerning his collections and his museum

Mr. Smith says, "The one criticism I have

concerning collectors is that they want to

hide their articles from the public like

squirrels do nuts. I get my 'kick' from

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old, which are believed to have been worn

by ladies of the court of Nebuchadnezzar,

were received recently by the Field Museum

of Natural History, Chicago. They were

A copy of what is undoubtedly the first

road map of a Nebraska highway has been

sent the Hastings Museum, Hastings, Neb.,

by State Engineer Cochran. It will be

especially interesting to students of the

Old Oregon Trail for it was printed in

Nebraska City in 1862 and shows the loca-

tion of the various ranches and supply

3,000,000 Years Old

One of the recent attractions at the

National Museum in Washington is that

of a complete skeleton of a thirty-foot

unearthed in Babylonian graves.

Gold earrings approximately 2,500 years

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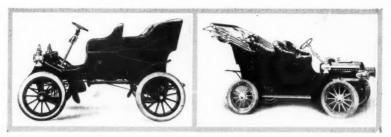
near Baltimore, Md.

million years ago. It is known as the

"whalebone" whale, and was found buried

stations.

whale, the first of its kind ever found, and which is thought to have lived three



Curators of museums of rural antiquities occasionally find here and there in old barns and other farm buildings, relies such as these to enhance their galleries

Ten Years Hence

E. T. Bernard, Secretary of the Otter Tail County Historical Society, Fergus Falls, Minn., in a recent press report stated that the museum maintained by this society in the court house was growing rapidly.

But like many other museums, the curator has his problems in making room for all of the interesting things received. Among the many articles offered recently, but not accepted, was a top buggy, which ten years hence, will undoubtedly be a curiosity.

The Buggy as an Antique

From the San Francisco Chronicle

At an auction of farm equipment in Virginia the other day a buggy "in good repair" went for forty cents and the bidder thought he was paying just that much for a neighborhood joke. However, if he will put that buggy in a dry loft he may find a few years from now he has an investment that will pay off like a Calcutta sweepstakes ticket.

Museums are said to be offering high prices for wooden Indians, horse head hitching posts and other rare antiquities of the buggy period. Not so many years ago early American highboys, crowded into attics and henhouses by the varnished golden oak furniture of now blessed memory, were being dug up to pay off farm mortgages.

Just now the buggy is betwixt and between. But wait until the surviving examples of that once joyous chariot get a little scarcer. That forty-cent bid in Virginia may not be such a joke after all.

Museum of Farm Antiques

The museum at Doyleston, Pa., collects antique farm implements and other rural relics exclusively. Among the recent articles received was an ancient stove, the kind that without the hearth, reminds you of one of the old time sewing machines.

Barn for Museum

An old barn in Hadley, Mass., has been turned to good account by Clifton Johnson of that town, and his brother Henry of Springfield.

In fact, the barn is especially appropriate for the relics stored there and lends atmosphere to such things as the stage coach, the bier, the one-horse hearse, old weathervanes and other articles of Americana.

In an interview the Johnson's said: "There are plenty of collections showing the indoor modes and manners of our fore-fathers. We begin where other collectors leave off—at the back door." Thus the many articles of outdoor and transportation vehicles.

Dr. James L. Huntington, a Boston physician, donated the barn, whose history goes back to Revolutionary War days.

Rich in Geological Specimens

The minerals of the world according to Dr. Oliver C. Farrington, curator of geology are now represented at the Field Museum, Chicago, by approximately 33,000 specimens, varieties of rocks by 8,000, ores and non-metallic products by 26,000, and fossils by 122,000 specimens.

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New Discoveries in the Gila Valley, Arizona

By Arthur Woodward, Curator of History, Los Angeles Museum

INDIAN hobby horses? (See cover).

Those grotesque animal figurines made of heavy pottery, some of them painted with red designs, apparently served as rude fire vessels or perhaps as crude types of incense burners in prehistoric times. For when found by members of the Van Bergen Los Angeles Museum expedition in newly discovered cremation burial pits on an old Hohokam site, in the Gila valley, they contained remnants of charcoal and ashes.

The expedition leading to the discovery was sponsored by Dr. Charles Van Bergen, Honorary Curator of Archaeology, Los Angeles Museum. This new discovery of important cultural links between some of the older, more colorful civilizations of Mexico and the southwestern tribes of the United States is the culmination of some of Mr. Van Bergen's youthful dreams and ambitions. When a young man his hobby was the study of archaeology but a busy professional life then prevented the carrying out of his interests and desires along archaeological lines. Today, however, he is at work in the Southwest, and in two years time he has contributed important facts concerning the heretofore meagre knowledge of the buried remains of the ancient civilization of the Hohokam in the Gila and Salt river valleys of Arizona.

During the course of the expedition which

uncovered the heavy pottery effigies of mountain sheep, etc., many other fine specimens of carved, shell, bone and stone were brought to light.

The remains of fifty houses, three cremation areas, and an offeratory area were found on one site of thirty acres.

This material is for the most part new to students of Southwestern archaeology. In aspect, many of the specimens resemble items from Mexico. The rattlesnake carved in bone, stone and shell and moulded on pottery vessels plays a prominent part in the decorative motifs.

Many sizes and forms of pottery vessels were found on the Van Bergen Los Angeles Museum expedition. All of the decorations were in red-on-a-buff background. The specimens range from simple round plaques to huge storage jars. There are vessels with three legs, rectangular vessels, small, round, heavy-walled vessels as well as all sorts of bowls, large and small. The cooking ware is undecorated.

Dr. A. V. Kidder, one of the foremost archaeologists in the United States hailed the discovery as one of the most important contributions made to the study of Southwestern archaeology during the past decade.

At the present time the expedition is engaged in further research in the same region in an attempt to get more evidence upon this interesting culture.

Rare Etchings Given to Los Angeles Museum

The Los Angeles Museum, said to be one of the finest institutions of its kind in the country, was scheduled to open its doors in October.

Among the collections recently presented to this museum is a group of rare etchings by Rembrandt Van Ryn (1606-1669). Their value is said to total close to \$100,000.

Mrs. Michael Francis Regan, who for years has made a vocation of rare collections, made the gift, which was received by Dr. W. A. Bryan, director.

The entire collection contains 228 prints representing various important periods. Included are more than eighty-four Rembrandts, as well as prints by Van Ostade, Thomas Woelidge, Gainsborough, J. L. Krafft and other well-known etchers. Twelve French engravings of about 1776 were others on the list.

Practically all of this collection, it is said, was in a portfolio purchased by Mrs. Regan at an auction in New York twenty-five years ago.

Something New in Museums

THAT everything has its place in the scheme of life and art is proved by the "Kitsch Museum" (or "Museum of Bad Taste and Trash") in Stuttgart. Its' director, Professor Cutav Pazaurek, has for years collected articles of absurdity and bad art for the purpose of educating the public to high standards by an inverse of the usual methods.

Among the stellar attractions are Nosegays made of clipped fingernails; the Kaiser and all his family sculptured in soap; mustache brushes in the form of women's legs, and furniture made of human bones.

Professor Pazaurek, however, has paid for his pains. The manufacturers and designers of some of the bric-a-brac which he has held up to ridicule laid siege to his position and a short time ago he resigned his professorship. The "Kitsch Industry" is still stinging mad.

In addition to this museum in Stuttgart there are other collections in Germany which probably are unique. One is the aggregation of church bells in the City of Apolde in Thuringia. A second is the famous suicide library at Augsburg in Bavaria; still another is the toothpick museum in Berlin.

The suicide collection, connected with the Bavarian State Library, was gathered by Dr. Hans Rost, an Augsburg writer. He spent many years in storing up books and treatises on suicide in every language and from all points of view and brought together a total of more than 4,000 volumes on the subject.

Bequests

A COLLECTION of 800 rare butterflies, including many specimens of the magnificent bird-winged butterflies of the East Indies and Papua, several of the brilliant blue Morpho butterflies from the South American tropics, and many great rarities from the mountains of New Guinea, Buru and Celebes, were recently given to the South Kensington, England, museum by James J. Joicey who formed the collection.

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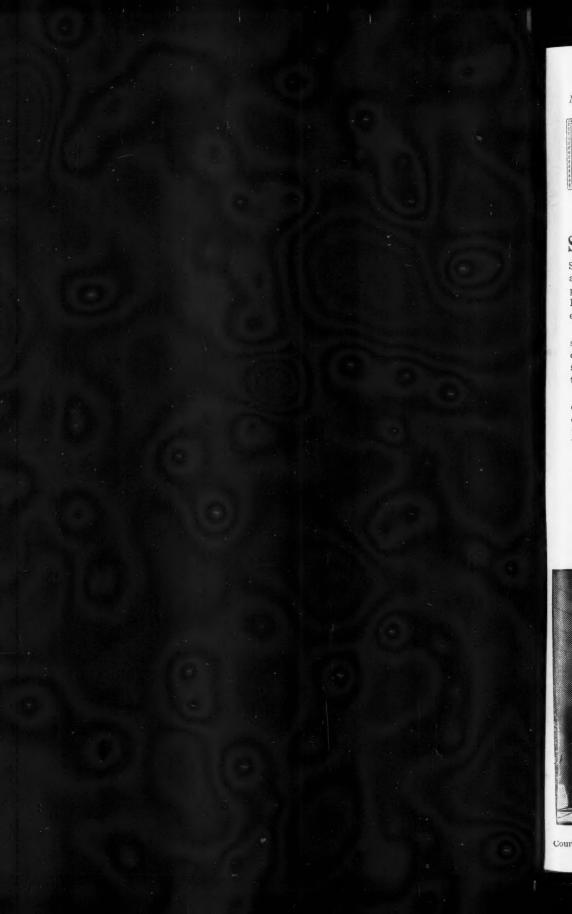
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Stamp Collecting

In the Interest of Philately

STRESSING the educational value of stamp collecting, Bry's Department Store, Memphis, Tenn., displayed a window as illustrated below through the recent exposition and convention of the American Philatelic Society. Commenting upon the exhibit the Commercial Appeal says:

"Open the throttle of imagination and sail off on a gossamer engraving to other continents in the distant days when minstrels lurked around each corner and marathoners graced the better drawing rooms.

"A quick jaunt through the modern world on your stamp carpet is easy. Today every country is issuing nearly 150 varieties of portraits, ships, animals, airplanes and buildings each month.

"Siegfried slaying the dragon is stranger. He toils up the fire topped mountain where Brunhilde sleeps enchanted. Aeneas feasts, while Apollo, Hermes and the gladiator stand at the side.

"Austria in 1926 issued the set of six charity stamps which tell of the epic adventures of Siegfried, hero of ancient ballads and Wagner's opera. The three groschen shows the dragon; the eight groschen bears Brunhilde's mountain.

"The 2,000th anniversary of Vergil last year was commemorated by the Italian government in the set of stamps telling of Aeneas, adventurous hero of the Roman poet's most familiar masterpiece,

"The Olympic games have caused postal issues celebrating the gods of ancient Greece a number of times. In 1896 at the revival of the games, Hermes, Apollo and the later gladiators enlivened the mails. Jupiter and Treton lent a sober salty flavor to the Cretan issues of 1900.

"Apollo poses with a discus on the Grecian Olympic stamps of 1906.

"Hercules struggling with the son of mother earth, Antaeus, is in the same issue."

These and many more were in the stamp show cases during the week's exhibit.

A number were from the collection of B. M. Johnson, Memphis, who was in Bry's stationery department during the exhibit to assist in the formation of stamp clubs,"



Courtesy Memphis Commercial-Appeal



THIS set of stamps was issued in Austria on November 4, 1929. This issue should awaken the United States and show them what a pictorial set could do for us. The first three denominations of this set are rotary printed. The series is composed as follows:

Ten groschen, ochre-yellow (Castle of Gussing, Burgenland.)

Fifteen groschen, brown-violet (Hochosterwitz Mountain, Carinthia.)

Sixteen groschen, gray (View of Durnstein, lower Austria.)

Eighteen groschen, blue-green (Traun Lake, Upper Austria.)

Twenty-four groschen, deep carmine (Fortress of Higher Salzburg.)

Thirty groschen, deep lilac (Church of Seewwisen, Steirmark.)

Forty groschen, dark blue (Palace of Innsbruck.)

Sixty groschen, olive-green (Hohenems Mountain, Vorarlberg.)

One schilling, brown (National Library, Vienna.)

Two schilling, green (St. Stephens Cathedral, Vienna.)

"Hobbies" Helps Postmaster Sell \$4000 in Stamps to Philatelists

The following news items reprinted from the Sullivan, (Ill.) Progress comes as a result of a former item published by this newspaper. Hobbies is glad to have had a share in the garnering of additional currency for Uncle Sam.

SEVERAL months ago Postmaster Mc-Pheeters called the attention of The Progress to the fact that collectors were sending in occa..ional orders for an odd lot of Benjamin Franklin stamps with which the local office had been overstocked for many years.

The Progress printed a story about this matter. Orders started coming in from all parts of the country. A magazine named "Hobbies" reprinted the Progress story, word for word. This was followed by many more orders by mail and some stamp collectors came to this city in person to get what they wanted. The particular kind of

Benjamin Franklin stamps with which the local office was stocked were scarce.

Postmaster McPheeters says the supply is nearly exhausted and that more than \$4000 worth of the stamps have been sold, since the matter was given publicity. Orders are still coming in and many are for issues of the stamps already exhausted.

The Sullivan post office has gained wide publicity; a supply of stamps was turned into cash receipts—and all through publicity started in the columns of *The Progress*.

This proves the truth of one of *The Prog*ress' advertising slogans: "You tell us, we'll tell the world." Printer's ink properly applied can accomplish wonders. ES

Among the First

Thanks to the La Cal Stamp Company, Los Angeles, Hobbies was probably one of the first, if not the first, to receive a letter bearing the Yorktown stamp, commemorating the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the battle of Yorktown and the surrender of Cornwallis to Washington.

Hobbies received the letter with the commemorative stamps on Friday, October

The stamps which were not to go on sale officially until the day following, Saturday, were obtained by Sidney Gerson, Manager of the La Cal Stamp Company, through a misunderstanding on the part of a suburban postmaster. He misread instructions and sold the entire amount alloted to him before the date on which the release was to have been.

We are grateful to Mr. Gerson for his thoughtfulness in seeing that we were among the first to receive the Yorktown commemoratives.

Beyond the Grave

We have heard stories about traveling salesmen who stayed with their prospects until death did them part. It seems, however, that this story from Advertising Age outdoes that:

Tuscaloosa, Ala.,-This postoffice received a mailing piece addressed to "Michael Tuomey, State Geologist of Alabama and South Carolina."

Prof. Tuomey died in 1857. If he were alive he would be 124 years old.

The Montgomery Advertiser published an editorial ending "Our reverence to thee, O Mailing List, eternal and immutable.'

Shrine Wards Collect Stamps

More than two hundred crippled children in Shrine hospitals are collecting stamps, presumably for sale it is reported. They want all foreign stamps, all U. S. stamps from five cents and up and all U.S. commemoratives. Such stamps will be gratefully received by George J. Ramsey, Shrine Recorder, Jefferson and Royal Streets, Los Angeles, Calif.

Furrier Has Large Collection

W. F. Doertenbach, a Colorado furrier, owns what is claimed to be one of the finest stamp collections in the West, rivaling some of the well-known collectors.

Doertenbach, an elderly man, who has spent many years in the collection of the stamps from the various countries of the world, doesn't know exactly how many stamps he has but they number in the thousands.

He started stamp collecting just to occupy his time and soon became tremendously interested in the brightly colored bits of paper, with their queer letters, queer pictures and strange shapes.

An album large enough to contain some 20,000 stamps was filled to over-flowing. Then Doertenbach started a series of albums, one for each country.

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Cincinnati Stamp Collector Club, Branch No. 2 S. P. A.—The first meeting of the year was highly successful, there being forty members and visitors present to view Carlton W. Smith's wonderful collection of airmail stamps. This collection was entirely in mint condition and contained such rarities as the Newfoundland Hawker, DePinedo, Columbia, besides many others.

Boy Scouts of America, Chicago Council, Stamp Collecting Specialty Training Course.—For Scout Leaders and older Scouts (sixteen years or over), Monday evenings beginning September 28, 7:30 o'clock, Severn Philatelic Room, 105 North Clark Street, second floor, Chicago—fee \$1.00. This amount covers over one dollar's worth of stamps and operating expenses. It will be possible for Scouts to pass the Stamp Collecting Merit Badge and Leaders to secure the Specialty Certificate towards the Scoutmaster's Key.

German Stamp Collectors Club of Chicago.—Eleventh anniversary and banquet, Sunday, November 1, 1931, Lincoln Turner Hall.

Ye Yorktown Dinner .- At the semimonthly meeting of the Fort Dearborn Philatelic Society, held at the Severn Room, 80 West Washington Street, Chicago, September 23, it was decided to hold a "Dollar Yorktown dinner" at the Boston Oyster House, October 20. All collectors are invited. After the dinner there will be a small auction. At the recent meeting Walter Emerson gave a report on the Memphis convention, which proved very interesting. Interest in the club affairs has been keen among the members and it is expected that the "Yorktown dinner" will be largely attended. Those who desire to attend are requested to make reservations by letter to C. H. Krippaehne, Secretary, 5049 North Sawyer Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

Lincoln Stamp Club of Chicago.—Has recently resumed operation after a vacation, and expects a busy season.

Refuses \$45,000 for Old Stamps

Among the never ending interesting press notices relating to stamps is a somewhat recent one concerning James Wright, 54, Pittsburgh, Pa., a coal miner for thirty-one years. Wright, the press says, has just discovered that he is possessor of a small fortune in a collection of old postage stamps. He said a representative of a New York stamp dealer made an offer of \$45,000 for the collection, but this was rejected. Wright values his collection at \$100,000.

Showing his collection to a visitor in the First National Bank of Finleyville, where he keeps it in a vault, Wright told his story:

"My ancestors, since 1800, and myself for many years have had a habit of saving letters and postage stamps. Now I find our efforts to preserve these relics have proved more than a matter of sentiment. It appears the habit has turned into a good business. I find myself in possession of a small fortune, and it came in this way:

"A short time ago I read about a young woman, who, cleaning up around her home, found old letters. She gave one to a boy as a keepsake. The boy traded the letter to another lad for two new postage stamps. The latter, thinking he had been cheated in the trade, burned the letter. It had been written in 1835, before envelopes or postage stamps were in existence. A Pittsburgh authority on old letters and stamps later declared the destroyed letter was worth \$15,000.

"I have letters that date back to 1800. No envelopes, just folded letters, and stamped with a stencil or something marked "three cents paid." I have also a number of stamps that date to the beginning of the postage stamp era. I hunted through old trunks, bags, china teapots and scrapbooks. When I got everything together, I found I had quite an assortment."

-Quoted

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A Unique Stamp Collection

By C. L. HUNTLEY

ONE of the most interesting stamp collections which the writer has been privileged to see recently is one assembled by a member of the Chicago Woman's Stamp Club, Mrs. I. M. Parker. While the collection contains many items which have a fairly high catalogue value the chief point of interest is the arrangement of the stamps under several different classifications. Mrs. Parker hasn't made any attempt to collect and arrange by countries but has devoted one or more pages of her album to such headings as advertising cancellations, stamps bearing the likeness of aeroplanes, agriculture, archaeology, architecture, genealogy, literature, maps, hospitals, musicians, plant life, presidents, trains, sculpture, ships, sports, zoology and several others. The idea, of course, is not new, but the arrangement is a novel one and has many interesting angles to any one collecting in this manner.

The section for aeroplane stamps is represented with stamps from the United States, Newfoundland, Sweden, China, France, Morocco, Cuba and other places. Every stamp bears a picture of an aeroplane.

So on through the pages of the book the occupations, products and life of the countries of the world as depicted in their stamps are arranged under various headings such as stated in the foregoing.

Under agriculture is a stamp from France bearing a picture labeled sowing, and from Cuba shows a plowing scene, a German stamp shows reaping, United States harvesting and so on. Under this classification are arranged the stamps which bear the outstanding products of different countries some of which show the orange, South Africa; breadfruit and cotton, Togo; sugarcane, Haiti; olives, France; corn, Mozambique; coffee, Haiti; cocoa, Togo; tobacco, Mozambique; fruit, Ecuador and Liberia; rice, China; cotton, Egypt; sisal, Mozambique; sago, State of North Borneo, and many others.

Under archaeology are the totem poles on Canadian stamps; Sphinx on Egyptian; Obelisk on Morrocco; Collosus of Thebes, Egyptian; Pyramids, Egyptian, and Monolith, Bolivia.

Under zoology the following animals are pictured: Dog, Newfoundland; bison, United States; beaver, Canada; tiger, Malay States; panther, French Congo; oxen, Kedah; lion, New Zealand; giraffe, Nyassa; caribou, Newfoundland; leopard, Liberia; ant eater, Fiench Guinea; zebra, Nyassa; orangutan and boar, North Borneo.

This is quite a menagerie and gives a good idea of what can be done in this especially interesting branch of stamp collecting. It is stated that there are 663 stamps issued by fifty countries which bear miniature maps. A goodly number which are represented in this collection under this heading.

An informal dinner was recently tendered Dr. Clarence W. Hennan by some of his friends at the Hamilton Club, Chicago, in honor of his election to the presidency of the American Philatelic Society. His election was a popular one and came as a reward for his long service for the good of the cause.

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Postal Markings on Old Letters

By HARRY M. KONWISER

HOBBYSTS who are not stamp collectors, and even collectors of stamps, at times report the location of old letters apparently forwarded without postage stamps, and having heard or read that "old stamps" as well as "old letters" are often of considerable value feel certain the "old letters" they have without postage stamps are of great worth.

Postage stamps were first used by the United States Government in 1847, but their employment on letters was not obligatory until eight years later. It was not uncommon to send letters "collect" by the mere process of not paying the postal fee at the time of mailing.

Prior to the production of postage stamps by the Federal Government the letters, on their address front, carried a handwritten notation usually appearing at the upper right corner, indicating the fee paid—or the fee to be collected at the delivery; black and red inks were used, the one to indicate pre-payment and the other indicating the recipient of the letter was expected to pay.

Prior to the Federal postage stamp act there were "local posts" in operation in many of the larger cities, and some of these locals are of extreme interest and some are quite desirable.

Meanwhile, from 1776 to 1800, the office of mailing employed a handstamp, probably made of bass wood or of metal to indicate the letter source on the address front of the folded letters. There were no envelopes at this time, all letters being of the folded type, the outside serving for the address and a wafer generally was used, as also sealing wax, to seal the letter.

In 1789 there were seventy-five post offices in operation in the Thirteen Colonies.

Postal charges for many years, in our early Federal period, were based on sheets; that is the rate was (say) three pence for a one-sheet letter and double that for a two-sheet letter, and plus this the distance the letter was to be carried created rates for single as well as double letters. Possibly this accounts for the large letter sheets of the day.

The early postmarks were of the straight line type, as for instance—NEW YORK, DECEMBER 29—in bold type. There were variations of the spelling, like N. Y. and N. YORK in use from 1776 to 1799.

Collectors of straight line postmarks find that some of the early United States cities are difficult to locate—on a letter.

From 1800 up to the stamp-issuing period (as today) various forms of the circular types of postmarks were employed, with "killers" being added when postage stamps came into use. During the early years of the last century there were oval postmarks in many cities, likewise a few straight line postmarks in the days between 1830 and 1850, with some showing even later.

Collectors of postal markings go in for group collections, for example: Straight Line Postmarks of the Colonial and Revolutionary Period; Oval Postmarks, early Ninteenth Century; Washington, Boston, Chicago, Philadelphia, Providence, as well as collections by States. They group the several types, beginning with the earliest days and bring their postmark collection right to date. In these collections are found the various forms of postmarks employed in the cities or states.

Then there are collectors of Civil War period postmarks, North and South—the latter enjoying a special catalogue and having considerable vogue as Confederatia. And, of course, there are collectors of Franked Mail, meaning letters franked by the signatures of our officials. These begin with the Revolutionary period and continue to date. Please note, however, that the Franking Signature does not necessarily mean it is the signature of the writer—

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it may be the important officials' secretary who signed the famous name!

Letters of the stampless period are not scarce. Many are to be had at from ten cents upward and very few postmarks of the early U. S. days, before stamps, bring \$10.00 or more.

Readers of Hobbies who have "old letters" and seek an opinion as to their probable value are invited to send a description of their items and an "estimate" will be given free of charge. Write to Harry M. Konwiser, Librarian of The Collectors Club, 30 East 42nd Street, New York, N. Y., enclosing a two-cent stamp for reply.

Here's An Opportunity to Obtain Interesting Postmarks and Stamps

One of Hobbies subscribers writes:

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A Subscriber Writes

Rudolph G. Jorgenson, Wisconsin, offers this to incourage new recruits in the postmark field:

"For those who have a yen for collecting, making a postmark album is unusual, fascinating and cheap. By getting in touch with friends or with the janitor of a business house the collector will obtain plenty of postmarks that would otherwise go into the furnace."

King Beats Kangaroo

The kangaroo which has distinguished Australian postage stamps for many years, says a press announcement, is at last to disappear under a recent government decision.

The stamps hereafter will feature the King's head.

The growing export business in kangaroo skins has made the animal an industrial factor. As such, it may be considered too material for a national emblem.

The Tie That Binds

(Via London)

Benjamino Gigli, who is singing at Convent Garden this year in "Rigoletto" and "La Boheme," like Rosa Ponselle, is of humble origin. He is a stocky, genial little man with a god-given voice and a sense of humor rare in tenors. The partiality of our leading British literary figures for Italian tenors is rather remarkable, for a friend of Gigli is John Drinkwater. The fellow feeling that binds (or sticks) them together is-postage stamps. Both are enthusiastic philatelists, and over plates of spaghetti have been seen comparing "threecornered Cape of Good Hopes" and discussing the mysteries of varied perforations.-The Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly.

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Stamp Hunting

By Theodore D. Irwin, in the New York World

THE Island of Madeira, off the coast of Africa, issues a new set of twenty-one varieties of postage stamps for one complete day to pay for the building of a museum. Peru and Argentina stage revolutions and introduce new stamps. King Boris decides to turn benedict, and Bulgaria exhibits new decorations on its mail. Italy remembers that Virgil was born 2,000 years ago, and thirteen varieties of new stamps are issued. Practically every country in the world produces a bumper crop of air mail stamps including Iceland, Esthonia and little Malta. In all parts of the globe nations get out stamps to commemorate everything from the birth of a saint to the taking of a national census.

High-pressure days for the stamp hunter! All over the country broadcasting companies are awaking to the existence, in the United States alone, of 1,500,000 stamp enthusiasts—millionaires and paupers, eight-year-olds and octogenarians—and instituting regular philatelic hours.

And our own country can hardly be called the ring-leader in the stamp boom. Spain, last October 12, issued a new set of twenty-seven varieties to mark the "Day of the Race," following this with a set of

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twenty-five varieties to mark the close of the Seville Exposition. Honduras has issued at least fifty-five varieties of air mail stamps in 1930 alone. Italy uses new stamps to memorialize St. Anthony of Padua and Ferrucci, a sixteenth century warrier. France has her Joan of Arc, Mexico her Carranza, England her Postal Union Congress, ad infinitum. Far seeing governments everywhere are realizing that as an advertising medium new stamp issues are unsurpassable.

In the last decade, according to Kent B. Stiles, noted philatelic authority, almost 23,000 varieties of new stamps have been issued, with the year 1930 responsible for no less than 1,700. The production of air mail stamps last year totaled more than 400, reaching its highest peak in history, while a crop of about 600 varieties of commemorative stamps broke all existing records.

New issues, apparently, have assumed the proportions of a lucrative racket. A number of small republics depend upon the collectors for a good part of their revenue, and larger countries are not loath to finance certain projects by furnishing practitioners of philately with pretty little many-colored new stamps.

San Marino, a real republic of thirty-six square miles, near Italy, supports its government principally through stamp issues. One of its notable prizes for collectors was manufactured to pay for the erection of a cenotaph in memory of the Sanmarinese volunteers in the great war. St. Kitts, a British colony in the West Indies, on one occasion put out thirteen different stamps to raise funds for a public park and cricket grounds.

Andorra, in the Pyrenees; Liechtenstein, on the Rhine, Nyassa, in Africa; French Guinea, and many other minute republic or colony produces its annual batch of stamps. Frequently governments, like the one in Nyassa, will sell their entire stock to one dealer, who distributes it in the stamp world.

Amundsen's expedition to the North Pole in 1925 was financed by Norway S

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through a special stamp issue which was held up and inflated in value. The Olympic games in Holland in 1928 were paid for by new stamps circulated by the Dutch Government. Uruguay, which sent a team to the Olympics 1928, put out a new set of stamps to commemorate that event in order to pay the expenses of sending the 1928 football team.

Even Great Britain, when it issued a set of stamps to celebrate the most recent annual meeting of the Postal Union Congress in London, printed a one-pound stamp which the public could rarely if ever use. It succeeded, however, in serving its purpose of tempting collectors, and as a result went far toward paying the expenses of the congress. And France repeatedly issued new stamps to help pay her war debts to the United States.

Air mail stamps especially are new quarries for the stamp hunters, many of whom specialize in this branch of philately. Since 1917, when Italy affixed the first government authorized air mail stamp to a letter from Rome to Turin, more than one-third of the countries in the world have brought out special air mail stamps, many of the other countries using surcharged stamps for air mail. After its first air mail stamp in 1918, the United States has put out seventeen issues of varying denominations and designs, four having appeared last year.

It is in the special flight "covers" (envelopes containing the canceled stamps), however, that the stamp zealots get their most valued treasures. When Germany printed a special stamp for the Graf Zeppelin's trip two years ago it was the first time in philatelic history that any country issued a stamp for any such current event. The Lindbergh stamp three years ago was the first in United States history that was ever issued for a living man. Since precedent was against the use of his photograph, a picture of his plane was used instead.

When Col. Lindbergh made his flight over his old air mail route from St. Louis to Chicago and return, more than 200,000 pieces of mail with the air mail stamp and a cachet characterizing the flight were carried in his plane. Most of the mail was destined for collectors. Incidentally, Lindbergh himself is a philatelist—to the ex-

tent that he collects air mail covers carried on his own flights.

The Chamberlin-Levine alleged first trans-Atlantic mail carrying was inaugurated against the wishes of the United States Post Office officials, and yet stamp collectors contend that these covers constitute the first official air mail sent across the ocean from this country. There are only five letters known to be in existence of the twenty-five carried by the Columbia. The first real trans-Atlantic air post, the Harry Hawker issue by Newfoundland in 1919 is worth \$1,200 a piece now, even though the Hawker flight was unsuccessful.

Great fortunes have been made in stamps by both dealers and collectors. The most valuable single stamp in existence sold for \$32,500 (not including war tax) some years ago at an auction of the famous Count Ferrari collection in Paris. It was a bit of magenta paper about an inch square and the only known copy of the British Guiana one-cent issue in 1856. Today it is valued at \$50,000. Arthur Hind, wealthy manufacturer of Utica, N. Y., who owns seventy-five per cent of the fifty rarest stamps, is the proud owner. He paid \$55,000, a few years ago, for two Mauritius "post office" canceled stamps on a cover.

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News for Bureau Print Collectors

Conducted by Adolph Gunesch

A MATTER of much importance to Bureau Print collectors has just occurred. Dr. Mitchell has announced that, due to the inability to please so many collectors who object to his method of pricing, he will cease doing so hereafter.

Also, because he does not get sufficient co-operation from collectors in reporting new issues to him, he has too great difficulty in keeping up data for succeeding editions of the Bureau Print catalog, and refuses to carry the load any longer.

Now this is serious. Bureau Print collectors dare not allow this man to leave them. Bureau Prints and Mitchell are really synonymous.

Co, lectors have grown to lean upon his opinion of values in Bureaus. They know that when he raises a price, the demand for that item has shortened the supply so that it is worth what he quotes as its value. When he drops a price it's because he has heard of a hoarded-away cache that has just come to light.

Dr. Mitchell has a remarkable faculty in securing intimacies in information which his correspondents know will never be revealed, as a result of which the individuals who know tell without fear of having their names divulged. He inspires confidence.

Dr. Mitchell has the added advantage of not being a dealer, but at the same time is so close to dealers that they tell him what they hold in stock so that he can gauge prices.

For another thing Dr. Mitchell undoubtedly has the largest personal collection of Bureaus in the country; at least it is so nearly complete that cupidity in regulating prices to suit his own needs can never be charged to him.

The Doctor in announcing his decision stated that he is willing to allow someone else, who doesn't like his pricing, to try his hand at it, implying that he has had enough of trying to please everybody.

We concede it is hard to please everyone. Collectors who need a certain item and can't get it, don't understand why he prices it at 25 cents. Dr. Mitchell know what the average collector doesn't that the stamp exists in sufficient quantities but is in the hands of an unscrupulous hoarder who is waiting for the price to rise before he unloads it. Bureau collectors should take Dr. Mitchell's tip. What he is doing is protecting them from themselves. Any man who can't or refuses to understand a low price against an apparently scarce Bureau, should be smart and not pay a fabulous price for it. He has Dr. Mitchell to thank when six months later, the hoarder gets tired and begins unloading.

Another thing that makes Dr. Mitchell's job difficult is the contumely that comes to him when a price that was high has to come down because a supply has been unearthed or knowledge of this supply has come to him. This is but following the law of supply and demand. The Doctor is not to blame for this and people who criticize such price changes are not justified in doing it.

And his difficulty in getting information about new issues could be helped if every Bureau Print collector reported nev items as he finds them. The great trouble about new listings is that everybody thinks that the other will do it and when the book comes out we may find that we assumed too much. The only safe way is to report new issues as they come out.

Bureau Print collectors owe it to their hobby to make sure that Dr. Mitche loes not resign from the job of pricing Bureau Prints. All well-wishers of this branch of precancel-collecting should show how they feel by writing him. Address him: Dr. W. I. Mitchell, 1644 Visalia Avenue, Berkeley, Calif. Tell him he should stand by and keep Bureaus on the safe and solid foundation they now are. Don't expect a reply to your letter (but if you do, enclose a stamped envelope). Just swamp him with protests at the thought of his leaving Bureau Prints.—N. R. Hoover.

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Precancels and Starting the Game

By K. F. SMITH, M. S.

How can the novice start a collection to best advantage? Collectors differ in opinion I do not say in offering a suggestion that I have the best method available-but I have started on their way several "precancellers" who enjoy the work as much as I do. It may not be the best method but it is "a method" and as far as I know-no other suggestion has yet been published in detail.

Starting the Collection

First start reading the whys and wherefores of precanceling and then buy the latest catalog existing. I can honestly say that you cannot get even to first base without a catalog. Precancelling is different in this respect from other types of general collecting and fairly complicated. * * * Learn the terminology used in the cataloging and keep up to date. Magazines are especially to be desired because most of those published print lists of new issues as they come out. This will cost you about three dollars per year.

Equipment Required

If you are going to touch foreign precancels you will need a watermark detector which you can get from any dealer for from twenty-five to fifty cents, and a transparent perforation gauge-and here let me state I've never found a decent one in existence. Gauges cost from twenty-five to fifty cents. A millimeter and inch scale is desirable but not necessary. A good packet of peelable hinges of medium size is also necessary and the best I think are made in England-cost twenty cents per thousand-and you will need lots of them.

Then comes the album-and here you can go as far as you like. Big dealers of this country all handle printed sheets which will amply handle the current series of stamps, but when you come to town and city collections-all towns do not publish all of a series-then again errors and inverts creep in and in general your sheets look a trifle spotty-using these specially printed sheets. My preference is a quadrille paper handled by all dealers-size 81/2 x 11-for a three ringed 1.P loose-leaf note book-or a post binder. With these sheets-as your collections progress you may make mistakesbut you can remove the sheet and remount on another without appearance. Never mind the binder at first-use ordinary long brass stationery split pins with a vellum or hinged paste board binding. Your collection can thus expand to the size you want and you can build up state by state in separate volumes. The quadrille paper supplied by dealers is cheap, has artistic headings and the faint gray or blue markings about 1/8 inch square, afford an absolute guide for lining up stamps and with a little care keeps your collection neat and shipshape. * * * I can tell at a glance when and where I purchased, what I paid, or whether I got it by exchange and on what terms, by a simple little sonic code-the sound of the letters being unforgettable. This coded price when compared with the current catalogs will show your gain or loss on any stamp you have in your collection.

You will need some "cleaning gear" and a powerful reading glass or microscope. In this connection many collectors will disagree with me but I have no hesitancy whatever in cleaning a stamp and regumming if necessary, a stamp mounted in an album handled, as will be, precancels.

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Past, Present and Future Events in Air Mail

By EDWIN BROOKS

October 8-11—Charlotte, N. C. All Southern Aircraft Pagant. Chamber of Commerce applied cachet.

October 9-16—Norfolk, Va. Was visited by "Old Ironsides" and cachet was applied by the Rotary Club. Not an airmail event. Cachet in red.

October 18—Milwaukee, Wis. Dedicated statue to Count Pulaski (who was very recently honored by having a commemorative stamp issued in his name). This was not an airmail event.

October 19—Wethersfield, Conn. Special cachet for First Day Cover issued for the new U. S. Commemorative Yorktown stamp. This was not an airmail event. Special note: Those sending to postmasters were only allowed ten letters per name. Also, that the U. S. Yorktown Sesquicentennial Commission announced that it would not handle any covers or issue a cachet for the Yorktown Sesqui Celebration.

Present

On October 27, the Navy Department's official celebration of Navy Day will take the form of a gigantic air circus. Many of the Navy's flying craft, including the carrier Langley, will take part.

Cachets will be sponsored by the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association, but covers must be sent to Maurice S. Petty, 617 Kennedy St. N. W., Washington, D. C. If no name is on outside, it is sent to the dead letter office. Cachets will be applied to Air Mail ONLY.

The DO-X has not yet visited Washington, and the nearly 2,000 covers are being held for it.

October 31-November 1—Portland, Ore. Dedication of the Christofferson airport. Cachet assured. Send ready to go. To: M. F. Camley, Cachet Director, 1168 Delaware Avenue, Portland, Oregon.

November 14-15—Oklahoma City, Okla. Dedication of airport. Cachet assured. Send ready to go. To: Chamber of Commerce at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

November 19-23—Norfolk, Va. The second visit of "Old Ironsides." A green cachet will be applied this time, also by the Rotary Club. Please bear in mind that this is not an airmail event and will not be catalogued as such. Address: Louis T. Moore, Executive Secretary of The Rotary Club, Beckwith D. Smith, 509 Dock Street, Wilmington, N. C., or R. E. Havens, Jr., 826 Camp Avenue, Norfolk, Va.

November 30-December 5 — New York. First National Exposition of Mechanical Handling, Grand Central Palace, New York. Not an airmail event.

Future

Special note: The following events chronicled have not as yet any specific date, and may be sent to those willing to handle the covers (and to be held until the events are dated) under your own risk!

Night air mail service between Nashville and Fort Worth has been approved, according to reports, but the date of inauguration is not known at present. Watch your home town newspapers for the date?

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There is a possibility of an airport being established in Norfolk County on the western side of Elizabeth River, by the County Chamber of Commerce officials. Watch your home town newspapers for the date!

Plans for an airport have been completed by the Post 86, American Legion and the Rotary Club of Auburndale, Florida. Plans are to dedicate on Armistice Day (November 11) with a special air show. Watch your home town newspapers!

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Durham, N. C. and Napa, Calif., will dedicated airports and covers for cachets may be sent to Chamber of Commerce. Date is still some time off, but better be prepared by having covers there! You might watch your home town newspapers for dates!

Future (Foreign)

The Compania Aeronautics de Transportes announces that before winter two airmail lines in Mexico will be opened to connect with existing air routes. The first line will be from Chihuahua to Tia Juana via Nacozari (Sonora), Cananea (Sonora), Nogales (Sonora) and Mexicali (Lower This line will connect with California). the now operating airlines from Chihuahua to Mexico City and from Chihuahua to El Paso, Texas. The second new route will be from Mazatlan (Sinaloa) to La Paz, Lower California. As has been customary in the past, cachets will probably be furnished for the first flight covers, so if you have any Mexican correspondents, now is the time to get in touch with them. (Incidently you might write to the Mexican Aero Magazine, "El Correo Aereo," Manuel Castro Limon, editor; the address is, Apartado No. 2654, Mexico, (D. F.), of course sending in a nice interesting letter, will help.)

Airmail News

A regular airmail service between Germany and the United States is envisaged by Wolfgang von Gronau, German aviator, according to the newspaper "Berliner Tageblatt." Gronau recently flew to the United States by way of Greenland to demonstrate the possibilities of such a service. His plan, which according to the Tageblatt, he will submit to authorities

here, entails the erection of landing and refueling stations along the northern route. The trip would take forty-eight hours.

Air mail pick-up device invented by Godfrey Cabot has just undergone a series of demonstrations at the Washington-Hoover airport, and has demonstrated that any pilot (unexperienced) can pick up the mail in flight without much trouble. It was eminently successful, but no covers can be identified.

Secretary of the Navy Adams has just announced that it will not be practicable to carry any mail on any trial flights of the U. S. S. Akron, but that when an official flight from one city to another is scheduled, the probabilities are that it will carry philatelic and other mail. Due announcement in time.

President Hoover has just appointed Second Assistant Postmaster General Glover and Eugene R. White, director of the international postal service division, as delegates to the Pan-American Postal Congress to be held at Madrid; Spain, beginning October 10. Mr. Glover expects to make an extensive inspection of foreign airmail service while abroad.

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Pilot Ray Boudraux and three passengers were killed when a Pacific Air Transport mail plane fell into San Francisco Bay after taking off from Oakland for Portland and Seattle, about 4 A. M. September 16. Virtually all of the 400 pounds of mail was destroyed, as the plane burned. Wonder if any of our readers had the good fortune to get a cover from this crash!

Post Office Department Cooperates

Pointing to the tremendously increased interest of stamp collectors in obtaining first flight covers, or stamped envelopes of letters carried on the first trips over new or extended airmail routes, W. Irving Glover, the Second Assistant Postmaster General, in an address before the American Air Mail Society at Washington, declared that the Post Office Department now is trying to satisfy this growing interest by providing special markings, or "cachets,"

of local interest on letter envelopes such as are sought by collectors.

A few years ago, Mr. Glover asserted, only five or ten pounds of mail were carried ordinarily on first-day airmail flights over new routes. The volume carried now on first flights was said by him to aggregate hundreds of pounds on nearly every flight of this sort.

Special Designs Provided

When possible the office of the Second Assistant Postmaster General, in order to provide collectors with correctly stamped first-flight envelopes, sends an experienced representative when possible to the locality from which the first flight is to be made, for the purpose of instructing the local postmaster and clerks in how properly to handle and cachet the covers, Mr. Glover explained. The cachets, or markings, he said, contain special designs or inscriptions of local interest, whereas formerly they were of a general nature, for use in all parts of the country.

In explaining how much the interest in first-day-flight cover collections had grown, the Second Assistant Postmaster General further declared that immediately upon the release of the word regarding a new stop or a new line, first-flight-cover collectors began sending their mail to the local post office, and it sometimes happens that the post office receives fifty letters several weeks in advance of the date set for the flight.

Sales Show Gain

Mr. Glover said that the philatelic agency which he had opened at Washington while he was the Third Assistant Postmaster General sold stamps last year to the amount of \$254,797,whereas, in its first year, the total sales had aggregated less than \$20,000.

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German Mail Plane Wrecked

Philatelists it seems are taking a great interest in airplane accidents and many have started collecting stamps from mail recovered from plane wreckage.

The German mail plane New York, which carried mail from the liner Bremen for New York, was located recently, upside down near the north shore at Cobequid Bay, Nova Scotia.

Lieut. Leigh, an aviator from Sydney, sent out to search for the missing craft and its two occupants, Fritz Simon, the pilot, and Rudolph Wauchknecht, mechanic, sighted the capsized plane, which appeared to be badly battered and deeply imbedded in the mud at low tide. After marking the spot, Leigh flew to shore and notified representatives of the North German Lloyd line, who sent a tug out in the hope of recovering the bodies and mail.

The New York had alighted in Sydney Harbor to refuel, after hopping off from the Bremen 800 miles at sea.

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Washington Bicentennial Commemorative

Recent information from the Third Assistant Postmaster General, F. A. Tilton, says that the Washington Bicentennial Commemorative, which will be put on sale in January 1932 will be in twelve denominations.

One-half cent.—The stamp is dark brown in color and has a flat paneled border with darker interior over which is laid a circular panel in which appears the likeness of Washington taken from a miniature painted by Charles Wilson Peale, the original of which is in the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

One-cent.—The stamp is printed in green. In the center, sightly overlapping the side columns is a large oval with dark background and white line border containing a reproduction of the profile bust of Washington by Jean Antoine Houdon made in 1785 and now in Mount Vernon,

One-and-one-half cent.—The stamp is light brown in color with a narrow white border within which in the upper part is a flat tinted panel inclosing a background of darker shade. In the space under the arch in the central part of the stamp is a likeness of Washington modeled from a painting known as Virginia Colonel made at Mount Vernon in 1772 by Peale, the original of which is now in Washington and Lee University.

Two-cent.—The stamp is printed in red and is inclosed in a narrow white-line border with small ornaments resembling fleur-deles in each upper corner. In the center of the stamp with a dark background is the likeness of Washington by Gilbert Stuart from a painting made at Germantown, Pa., in 1796, known as the Atheneum portrait, the original of which is now in the Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

Three-cent.—The stamp is printed in purple ink and is inclosed in a white-line border. In the central part of the stamp is the likeness of Washington in the uniform of a general with cocked hat reproduced from a portrait by Peale painted at Valley Forge in 1777. The original portrait is now in the State Normal School at West Chester, Pa.

Four-cent.—The stamp is printed in warm brown and has a narrow rectangular border indented at the sides and ends and

it bears the likeness of Washington taken from a painting by Peale in 1777, now in the possession of Mr. William Patten, Rhinebeck, N. Y.

Five-cent.—The stamp, printed in blue, is bordered by a beveled edge panel indented at the sides and ends. In the center of the stamp is a large dark shield with white-line border containing the likeness of Washington from a painting by Peale made in 1795, and now in the possession of the New York Historical Society.

Six-cent.—The stamp is printed in orange color. The stamp is inclosed by a rectangular panel with white edge forming a frame for the central design representing Washington in the uniform of a general reproduced from a painting by John Trumbull in 1792, now in Yale University.

Seven-cent.—The stamp is printed in black ink with white edge and gray paneled border on the sides and top. In the center of the stamp is a large oval with a likeness of Washington in a colonial uniform showing the head and bust reproduced from a full length portrait painted by John Trumbull in 1780, the original of which is now in the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Eight-cent.—The stamp is of olive green color and is inclosed in a white line border. In a large upright oval in the center of the stamp is a profile bust portrait of Washington facing to the left, reproduced from a crayon drawing made from life by Charles B. J. F. Saint Memin at Philadelphia in 1798.

Nine-cent.—The stamp is printed in pink with a white-line border. At the center in a large panel rectangular in shape below, oval and slightly widened in the upper portion, is the likeness of Washington modeled from a pastel portrait in the possession of the Masonic lodge of Alexandria, Va., for whom it was drawn from life by W. Williams in 1794.

Ten-cent.—The stamp is orange in color. In the center of the stamp is a large oval with white edge and dark ground inclosing the portrait of Washington taken from a painting by Gilbert Stuart in 1795, known as the Vaughan portrait and owned by S. P. Avery.

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Late Air Mail News

As we go to press with this issue news arrives telling of the wreck of two airplanes carrying mail. The story of the wreck of the fatal New York which was carrying mail from the liner Bremen, 800 miles at sea, to New York is recounted on a preceding page.

From Anderson, S. C., comes the news of a crash in that vicinity. S. M. Dawson, pilot of the plane which was damaged, escaped with slight injury.

Dawson was forced to land at Anderson because of a fog which turned him back at beth Greenville and Spartanburg. He finally flew as far as Anderson but was forced to land at the emergency field. In landing a part of the landing gear was torn away and a wing smashed as it was dragged along the ground.

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Late Thursday Deputy Sheriff Ben Harter went to the Earl W. Anderson home, located about five miles west of Canton, on Route 9 and found an aged man at the home which was searched. No stamps were found it is said.

Officials say mystery has surrounded the place for the past three months that period it has been occupied by the present tenants. Large automobiles thought to be from Chicago arrive frequently at the modest home, it is said. Officers say two elaborate trunks were found in the house filled with finery. Two automobiles and a truck which bear Nebraska license plates are also often seen at the place.

Attention was directed toward the place when stamps attached to letters and cards were mailed from the residence. They were of such old design and so different that postal employes noticed them. A rural carrier is said to have purchased a quantity of them for a stamp collection and was informed by the woman that she had millions of them.

Parcel post stamps of ten-cent denomination, which were only issued when the parcel post system was inaugurated, are said to be among those noticed. Four-cent stamps of 1893 world's fair issue were said to be attached to postal cards sent from the little brick country home.

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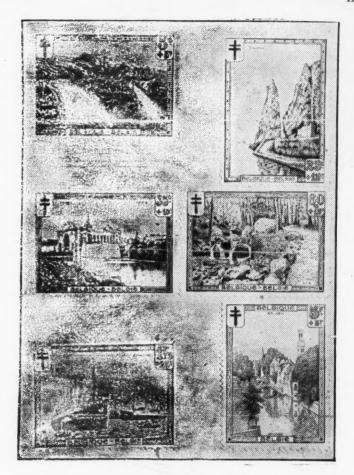
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Belgian Pictorial Issue

THIS set of semi-postal stamps was issued in Belgium on December 1, 1929. The illustrations on these stamps are as follows:

Five-cent five cent, brown. (Waterfall at Coo.)

Twenty-five-cent fifteen cent, grey-blue. (Bayard Rock at Dinant.)

Thirty - five - cent fifteen - cent, green. (Menin Gate at Ypres.)

Sixty-cent fifteen-cent, purple. (Orleans Walk at Spa.)

One French seventy-five-cent twenty-five-cent, blue. (Antwerp Harbor.)

Five French five French, Mauve. (Green Quay at Bruges.)

In issuing semi-postal stamps the first figures on the stamps is the amount used for postage and the second figure is the amount contributed to charity or to some other cause for which the stamp or stamps have been issued. BIES iveeen irst

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Where Do the Cents Go?

By H. A. BRAND

NO you know that there were 277,000,000 cents produced by the U.S. Government in 1929? Do you know that in 1928 182,552,000 were produced and in 1927 185,886,000? Does it seem possible that so many cents are in circulation? Yes, and many more. Uncle Sam has produced 5,921,286,327 cents since 1793 when the first ones were coined. These early cents were almost as large as the half dollars we are now using and are not in circulation at the present time. They have been turned in and the few remaining are in collectors' hands. But where did the large bulk of them go-173,683,644 were placed in circulation? The smaller nickel cents that took their place in 1856 and were issued until 1864 have also disappeared. And yet, over 257,974,000 were issued. I have not seen any in circulation for many years but I would like to call the reader's attention to the Indian head bronze cent that was replaced by the Lincoln head cent in 1909. How many do you see in circulation today? Between the years of 1864 when they were first introduced and 1909 when they were discontinued the mints produced 1,616,264,000. Search for them in your pockets now. How many do you find? Suppose you retain all you receive in circulation. It will take you months and perhaps a year to gather 100 of them. They are going and soon will disappear like the nickel cents and the large cents that preceded them. Do you realize since the introduction of the Lincoln cent just about twenty years ago, that approximately 3,873,264,683 have been issued. Try to find some of the early dates, say 1909, 1910 and 1911, where are they? Where do our cents go? It is true that many of us do hoard them, but they are placed back in circulation some times, unless the hoard

is lost but it is more likely that the cents are lost individually rather than in a lot. How many times have we heard some one say upon dropping a coin, "It is only a cent, let it lay." Many of those cents are never picked up, but surely they cannot all be lost. Where do they go? Many of us remember that we were pleased to have cents given to us for running errands, being good, leaving the room when sister had her beau, but how many of us can use the same persuasive methods on the children of today? The price has gone up. How I envy those kids in the days of the large coppers. When they received a cent then, it meant something as the possession was worth while-but those were the days when a man married and raised a family and bought a home on \$6.00 per week and saved money too.

But to get back to cents. In spite of all that have been produced, we have experienced actual shortages of them from time to time but particularly during the panic of 1837 to 1839 when many of the merchants issued coins resembling cents in size and thickness but bearing the merchant's name and address. These were generally accepted by the public, who was glad to have these substituted to make change.

Again in 1861 to 1865 during the Civil War, minor coinage of all kinds was hoarded and merchants again issued coins similar to cents, payable at their stores. During the years of 1917 and 1918 there was another great shortage of cents because of the increased demand for odd change due to war tax on so many articles and pleasures we bought. The government tried hard to keep the supply up to the demand but the demand was so much greater than the supply in certain locali-

ties, that local substitutes were pressed into circulation. At Lewisburg, Ohio, the local bank issued bits of paper worth one cent each. At Savannah, Ga., small metal rimmed paper tags worth one cent were circulated. But the demand keeps on—each year the Government is forced to issue more cents. Where do they go?

Currencies of the Americas

THE Department of Commerce has recently issued a monetary review, "Metal and Paper Currencies of the Americas," of thirty-nine countries and colonies in the Americas. Among the interesting data revealed is that the United States gold dollar is legal tender in twenty countries including the United States and that United States currency is accepted in eight others. Only eleven American countries do not grant legal tender status to or use the United States dollar. Nevertheless it is said, they are glad to secure them for the gold reserves of their respective banks of issue.

Current United States currency comprises gold, silver, nickel and copper coins and five kinds of paper money. The gold coins and standard silver dollars are legal tender for all private and public debts and this is also true of subsidiary silver and minor coins within certain limits, but of the five kinds of paper currency only the gold certificates and United States notes issued by the Treasury have full legal tender value.

All coins ever issued by the United States Government retain their legal tender status except the silver trade dollar authorized by Congress in 1873 and intended for trade use in Mexico and the Orient.

The five kinds of paper currency currently issued and in circulation are: Three Treasury issues—gold certificates, silver certificates and United States notes, and two bank issues—national bank notes and Federal reserve notes. On July 10, 1929, the "New Series" or small size paper currently.

rency was put into circulation by the Treasury, but many notes of the "Old Series" or large size are still outstanding. The detailed table of paper currency outstanding (and in circulation) reveals the fact that on June 30, 1931, one \$10,000 United States note of the "Old Series" and thirteen of the old silver certificates of \$1,000 are still outstanding. Perhaps the lucky owners of these notes are holding them at a premium?

"Metal and Paper Currencies of the Americas," like the two preceding compilations, is used by many government agencies. Because it contains the details of United States currencies it is being supplied by the State Department to the diplomatic missions and consulates of the United States as well as being sent to the representatives of the Commerce Department stationed abroad.

This compilation is available for free distribution as long as the present supply lasts. Application may be made to the Specialties Division, Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, Washington, D. C., or any of the Bureau's district offices.—Condensed from the United States Daily.

Like Postum

Frank C. Ross of Kansas City, Mo., carried the following Ad in the August issue:
Will Buy your 1844 Dimes. Frank C. Ross, 15
East 62nd Street, Kansas City, Mo.

Mr. Ross writes upon publication of the August issue as follows: HOBBIES:

To date I have not received a single answer to my Ad in August HOBBIES. This is just what I predicted and wished, so am well satisfied.

While plowing a field near St. Joe, Ark., Tom Tate uncovered a one-cent coin dated 1835.

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Convention Auction

Space in the October issue would not permit a listing of the Numismatic Convention auctions and data pertaining thereto. C. L. Huntley continues his report in this issue, however. "Many items," says Mr. Huntley, "brought out spirited bidding and prices obtained were very satisfactory. Many fine pieces were listed and under the skillful handling of auctioneer 'Billy' Sunday the 160 lots were disposed of in record time."

Consignment B

Prices Set of United States Commemorative Half Dollars

- \$.70 1892 World's Columbia Exposition, Chi-
- cago, unc. 1893 World's Columbia Exposition, Chi-
- cago, unc. 1918 Illinois Centennial, Lincoln Head 1.50
- 1.10 1920 Main Centennial, Lincoln Head, unc.
- 1.00
- 4.15
- 2.10 1.10
- 1920 Main Centennial, Lincoln Head, unc.
 1920 Filgrim Tencentenary, unc.
 1921 Pilgrim Tercentenary, unc.
 1921 Missouri without star, rare, unc.
 1921 Missouri with star, rare, unc.
 1921 Alabama with 2 x 2, unc.
 1921 Alabama with 2 x 2, unc.
 1922 Grant without star, unc.
 1922 Grant without star, unc.
 1924 Huguenot-Walloon Tercentenary, unc. 1.40
- unc 1.25
- $\frac{1.30}{5.75}$
- unc.
 1925 Lexington-Concord, unc.
 1925 Stone Mountain Memorial, unc.
 1926 California Diamond Jubilee, unc.
 1926 Fort Vancouver, very rare, unc.
 1926 Philadelphia Sesquicentennial, unc.
 1926 Oregon Trail, unc.
 1926 Oregon Trail S. Mint, unc.
 1927 Battle of Bennington, unc.
 1928 Capt. Cook, Hawali, rare, unc.
 1925 Norse-American, unc.
- 2.00 1.60

Consignment C

Prices

Obtained

- \$ 3.25 1798 Silver Dollar, good. 2.80 1800 Silver Dollar, good. 2.50 1900 LaFayette Silver Dollar, good. 22.00 1907 St. Gauden's Gold, \$20.00, fine. 7.50 1915 Panama Pacific Gold, \$2.50 (scarce),
- very fine. 1915 Panama Pacific, \$1.00 unc. 3.35
- Another the same
- 1.80
- 1 20
- 3.10
- Another the same.
 1921 Alabama Half Dollar, no cross, unc.
 Another the same.
 1921 Pilgrim Half Dollar, unc.
 1922 Grant Gold, \$1.00, star, unc.
 Another the same.
 1922 Grant Half Dollar, no star. unc.
 (only 5,000 coined).
 Another the same.
 1923 Monroe Half Dollar, unc.
 1924 Huguenot Wallon Half Dollar, unc.
 1925 Ft. Vancouver Half Dollar, unc.
 1925 California Half Dollar, unc.
 1926 Sesquicentennial Gold, \$2.50, unc.
 Another the same. 1.00
- 1.00
- .95
- 1.30
- 3.00
- 3.10 Another the same. 1926 Oregon Trail Half Dollar, "S" Mint,
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- 1.55 Another the same,
- .95 1926 Sesquicentennial Half Dollar, unc. 1,40 1927 Bennington Half Dollar, unc.

Consignment D

Prices

Obtained Choice United States Large Cents

- \$ 2.50 1794 H 5, rare, light brown, fine. 4.50 1796 G. A, steel color, very fine. 1.50 1796 G. 23 Brown color, a'bt fine. 6.00 1798 D 113 over 1797, rare, r 1798 D 113 over brown, very fine. reddish
- 1799 D 138, perfect date, very bold date, a very nice specimen of "this rare date," brown and steel, very fine. 45 00
- 2.25 1803 Newcomb No. 8 5 N, bold brown
- steel, very fine. 1807 D 205 "comet variety, bold brown steel, very fine. 3.10
- 1817 A 9½ "tuft on head," rare variety," D'K olive and steel, extra fine, 2.40
- 1824 A 3 olive steel pract., unc. 1824 A 4 OBV. the Rev. is "new" not in Andrews, olive ab't, very fine.
- 1825 A 9 OBV. with "proof" sur Rev., unc., orange olive, extra fine. 16.00
- 1826 A 4, orange olive, extra fine. 1827 A 8 die bread on OBV., D'K olive and steel, extra fine. 2.20
- 4.10 1831 A 3 L'T orange olive, unc.
- 2.00 1833 A 5, D'K brown and steel, extra fine.
- 1835 A $7\frac{1}{2}$ "double profile," rare, olive and steel, extra fine. 2.40
- 2.30 1836 A 3 break at 6th star, L'T orange olive, unc.
- 1837 A 4 OBV. full read Rev. a slight stain, red, unc. 1838 A 4 die break across OBV., rare,
- 2.20
- 1838 A 4 die break across OBV., rare, olive, unc.
 1839 A 1 over 1836 said to be rarer than 1799, this piece is away above the average for condition and shows OBV. die Break Miller Sale \$69, Thompson \$75, olive and steel, very fine, 1843 A 6, D'K olive, extra fine.
 1845 A 5 Beautiful irredescent olive, 31.00
- 1.60
- 1.70
- 1849 A 6 Curve and red, unc.
 1846 A 8, olive and red, unc.
 1849 A 6 OBV. red and rev. brown, unc.
 1855 "pattern" flying eagle Rev. small wreath, reddish "proof." 1.90

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Consignment G

Obtained

- Alexander the Great, Bold high relief portrait of Alexander in Lions skin head dress. Rev. Zeus seated with eagle in outstretched hand, monogram in field, \$ 3.00
 - Outstretched halls, howevery fine.
 Ptolomay VIII type of Ptolomay 146116 B. C. artistic high relief portrait, hair tied with a band. Reverse Eagle similar to U. S. Gold coin with inscription, extremely fine and desirable.
 Prolomay VIII entirely different head in
- Ptolomay VIII entirely different head in lower relief, reverse eagle, letters in field, inscription only partly on, very 2.50 fine
- Phoenician Tetradracm of the "Attic" standard, bust of Tyche wearing crown, hair rolled with veil falling over shoulder, 2.10
- Roman Colonial tetradrachm Laureated head of Tiberius reverse large head of 2.40
- head of Tiberius reverse large head of Augustus Caeser, very fine, Augustus Caesar very fine portrait of Augustus in bold relief reverse OB CIVIS SERVATOR, Roman citizen pris-oners restored to citizenship, Denarius, Bronze colonial coin of Hardien, bust of 1.40 1.20
- .70
- Bronze colonial coin of Hardien, bust of Hadrien reverse clasped hands, fine. Denarii of the Porcia family, head of Rome, reverse liberty in quadriga, extremely fine.
 Gold Aureus of the Emperor Valens 364-378 A. D. bust in low relief reverse Valens holding the labarum with the chritogram in one hand and the figure of Jupiter in the other, fine.
 Gold Aureus of the Emperor Theodosius, bust to right reverse Theodosius and Valentinian seated, very fine.
 Gold solidius of Heraclius 610-614 crude portrait facing reverse cross on steps about, fine. 5.25
- 6.00
- 3.00

- 3.75 Gold coin fifteenth century of Holland, Sanctus Andreaus St. Andrew with Sanctus Andreaus St. An cross, fine, interesting piece.
- Gold ducat of Germany early fifteenth 3.50 century, fine.
- Gold coin of Florence fifteenth century, St. Johanes, reverse arms of Florence, very fine.
- 15.25 Gold Dubloon of Charles III circulated in Central America 1787 the days of the Buccaneers.
- Gold Dubloon of Ferdinand VII 1814, in Utroq, Felix, Auspice Deo. N. R. for Nicaragua, very fine. 16.00
- Gold California Five Dollars, Moffat & Co., the days of '49. 9.00
- 1793 Cent. The very rare Period cent, head with flowing hair in low relief, period after Liberty and date. Reverse Chain light color, fine for the rarity and 10.50
- Chain light color, fine for the rarity and seldom offered.

 1793 Wreath Cent, liberty head with flowing hair sprig over rate edge vine and bars, very good.

 1794 Cent Hay's number 14, very fine, light glossy surface.

 1795 Cent, one cent in centre of wreath, very fine but surface slightly oxidized on obverse. 4.75
- 3.20
- 1.40 obverse
- 1806 Cent about fine, better than very 1.70 good.
- 1809 Cent very fine, small scratches from top of hair to rim still a rare and desirable cent.
- sirable cent.
 1814 Plain four, rare die with crack from
 third last star on right through curl
 and eight of date, defect in planchet
 otherwise very fine light color.
 1816 Cent die creacked on rim, lustrus
 light color practically uncirculated.
 1799 Ten Dollar Gold few hair line eight
 scratches, extremely fine.
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 very fine.
- 19.00
- 19.00 very fine.

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Latvia, 10 Santimi, N., F	Mexico, 10 cent., C., scarce, V. F35
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Mexico, 2,cent., C., scarce, G	Netherlands, 2½ cent, Brz. rec., V. G10
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Auction

The following lists some of the items and the prices obtained at the recent auction sale of M. H. Bolender, Orangeville, Ill.

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39	1793 chain cent, good\$1	0.00
111	Rhode Island Colonial notes of 1775	7.00
172	Book on mint collection	5.25
398	1804 dollar, Bank of England, very	0.00
	fine	2.25
571	Byzantine gold solidus	5.50
645	Set of 23 large Beistle Coin Holders,	
	lot	21.00
648	Ferdinad and Isabella, gold doure,	
	ducat, fine	8.25
683	1682 Sweden Salvator crown, fine	4.10
725	Lincoln medal, King 301, unc	3.50
858	1922 Grant half dollar with star, unc.	6.00
937	1877 nickel 3c, proof	4.50
985	1877 nickel 3c, proof	4.85
987	1856 flying eagle cents, unc	14.50
1172	1652 Pine tree shilling	8.75
1202	1915 Panama-Pacific half dollar, unc.	12.00
1248	1794 cent, Hays 7, fine	
1408	China Chui-Pu dollar, proof	5.00
1585	Fractional currency, 50c Spinner,	red-
	back with autograph signatures Alliso	n &
1504	Spinner, unc.	9.00
1594	15c Grant and Sherman essay, red-b	
1653	Encased stamp, Lord & Taylor 10c.	13.25
1664	Encased stamp, Lord & Taylor 10c	8.50
1682		50,00
1982	1776 Continental dollar in pewter,	16.00
1684	very fine	10.00
1004	letters, fine	11.50
1685		10.50
1707	1694 Brunswick "wild-man" crown,	10.00
1144	very fine	3.75
1773	1795 U. S. \$5 gold	
1774	1798 U. S. \$5 gold	36.00
1790	1795 U. S. \$10 gold, very fine	61.00
1791		
1792	1799 U. S. \$10 gold, uncirculated	31.00
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The entire 1838 lots in the sale were successfully sold at satisfactory prices. The above list is simply picked at random for the interest of readers.

Woman's Design Selected

Women numismatists throughout the country will, no doubt, favor the decision made by the board of distinguished jurors who selected the design made by Laura Gardin Fraser of New York for the Washington bicentennial medal.

Mrs. Fraser, is the only woman who has designed coins for Uncle Sam's mintage. Among these have been the Alabama Centennial fifty-cent piece, the Fort Vancouver, Oregon Trail and Grant Memorial She also designed the medal for the American Bar Association which is awarded annually for "conspicuous service in the cause of American jurisprudence," a medal for the National Sculpture Society, one for the Society of Medalists, and others. She accounts it a high honor that she herself has been the recipient of the r edal of the American Numismatic Society, which is awarded only occasionally for unusual merit.

A Subscriber Writes

Some day you will be asked why coins and medals became so scarce and hard to secure in spite of the fact that collectors guard them so jealously. The following articles via the Associated Press from Montpelier, Vt., is one of the answers. Now that communities have "settled down" civic pride has taken hold. Each community has a museum in connection with its library, college, etc., and they absorb the relics ._ Once a relic enters a museum it becomes a "lifetermer." Kansas City has a large public museum and the citizens here have turned hundreds of relics over to it. The same thing is going on all over the country.-F. C. Ross, Kansas City, Mo.

"Sinclair Lewis, novelist, deposited the Nobel prize medal in literature awarded him last year with the Vermont Historical Society today as a permanent loan. The medal will be kept on display in the society's rooms at the state building here.

"Lewis wrote: 'I hope the gift may serve to indicate my affection for this, my adopted state,' when he transmitted the medal today from his home at Barnard. It was presented as a permanent loan he said, 'with the understanding that if I should not by the time of my death, have withdrawn it, it shall become the outright property of the society'."

"In acceping the loan, Ruth Taylor, assistant curator, said, 'The Vermont Historical Society is greatly pleased that you have made it the means of displaying to the public this medal.'

"The Nobel prize was awarded to Lewis in Stockholm last December."

First Dated Dollar

The first dated coin is said to have been issued in Austria in 1482, ten years before the discovery of America. It was an Austrian half crown. The first dated silver dollar, known as a crown, bears the date of 1486, issued by Australia. An illustration of a crowned emperor appears on the obverse.—R. E. G.

A Missouri man who for twenty-eight years has saved all the silver dimes he got and put them in the savings banks paid for a six months' tour abroad with the money he has saved.

Cincinnatian's Father Has Fine Coin Collection

By Charles Ludwig, in The Cincinnati Times-Star

THE father of a Cincinnati woman has the greatest private collection of coins in the world-a collection worth millions of dollars.

This fact was divulged during the closing session of the convention of the American Numismatic Association.

The Cincinnati woman is Mrs. Erna Brand Zeddies of Forest Hills, Hyde Park, wife of Robert F. Zeddies, sales division manager of the Kroger Grocery & Baking Company.

It was her uncle, Virgil Brand, millionaire Chicago brewer, who accumulated the vast collection during over forty years.

On his death, five years ago, he left it to his brothers, Attorney Horace L. Brand and Armin Brand of Chicago. Mrs. Zeddies is the daughter of Horace L. Brand.

Virgil Brand was said to have amassed a fortune of \$30,000,000, and experts have valued his great coin collection at \$3,500,000 to \$5,000,000.

"Brand's collection is unquestionably the greatest private collection in all the world," said M. A. Powills, United States deputy internal revenue collector of Chicago, who has seen portions of Brand's vast collec-"The collection has never been thrown open to the public.

A Kindly Hermit

"Virgil Brand was a remarkable man. He was unmarried and lived like a hermit gentleman in rooms above his brewery. At the brewery he also had parts of his enormous coin collection as well as his

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other artistic and scientific collections. He collected a vast library of books dealing with numismatics, he collected pottery, pictures and valuable antiques.

"He once remarked that for him to pay \$30,000 for a collection was no more extravagance than for other folks to buy a cigar. He bought up collection after collection to make one colossal collection out of them. He loved beauty. He did not spend much money on himself but never hesitated to spend it for precious objects of art or numismatics. He was a kindly, generous man and a benefactor of the Chicago Coin Club of which he was a member.

"Among bills liquidated after his death was one for \$30,000 for a collection he bought from Amsterdam. It was simply typical of many.

"The appraisal of the actual bullion value of his collection on his death was \$700,000-that is the value today of the gold and silver in the collection, not counting the extra value given by the rarity and beauty of the coins. His rare onecent piece of 1804 was put down in this calculation, for instance, for one 'one cent' but it is worth \$3,000 to \$6,000.

"It took many volumes to complete a list of the coins in the collection. There are coins from every land and every clime and every time-coins from the various regimes of Greece, Rome, Egypt, Babylon, of the Goths and Visigoths, of Persia, India, China, Japan, Ireland, England, Germany, France, Spain, the Norwegian lands, Poland, Russia, Lithuania, from Africa, South America-from every land under the sun, past and present.

"No man had ever gathered such a collection before.

Learned Numismatist

"Brand was one of the most learned numismatists of the time-a veritable encyclopedia of information on coins and the history of all the lands his coins came from. Only his vast wealth made it possible for him to gather together such a stup-ndous collection.

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"He would buy whole collections in order to get a few pieces that were missing from his own. Sometimes, after he bought a very rare piece and found there were just a few others like it in existence, he bought whole collections to get them, too.

"He had the world's largest metal money—Swedish copper plates weighing thirty-two pounds. He has money from the jungles of Africa, money in zinc, lead, iron, aluminum, money in fabrics, natural money in the form of sea shells or tusks of wild hogs, the teeth of animals. He collected the greatest number of unique pieces in the world.

"He had the rare and most beautiful of coins—the ten drachma of ancient Syracuse, the platinum money of Queen Catherine the Great of Russia, California 'gold bugs,' Mormon gold money, and bar after of bar of solid gold bricks—the real thing—ready for coinage. One time when an express company was shipping bags of gold to be coined, he said: 'I'll buy them outright,' and he did. There is shelf after shelf of this vast collection and it costs thousands a year just to house and take care of it."

167,000 Pieces

A Cincinnatian, familiar with the collection, said: "There are 167,000 pieces in this collection and it weighs sixty-seven The world has never seen such a stupendous collection of coins-and the world knows little about it because it has never been open for public inspection, though numismatists from all over the world know about 't and have seen parts of it. To see all of it would take months. Some of the coins are nearly as big as The collection is now housed in a man. a special vault built at the Continental Bank Company, Chicago. Virgil Brand bought coins from royalty and from collectors all over the globe. He had thirteen men on his payroll, collecting coins and helping him prepare his collection. would take twenty-five girls three months just to make a catalogue of the articles."

Collectors of Collection

George J. Bauer, Rochester, N. Y., president of the American Numismatic Association, said recently that Brand's collection was the greatest that any American had ever gathered together.

"Brand lived like a friendly hermit at his brewery and in his lifetime he showed me parts of his collection," said Bauer. "I recall he had a bodyguard who was seven feet tall. Brand's collection surpassed the wildest dream of the numismatist—he had gathered the most wonderful things from all the world. He spent millions upon the collection, that represented the best from every nation, ancient and modern. He had millions and when he wanted a coin he bought it. I know he bought a French collection, for instance, for \$90,000. He was much more than just a collector—he was a collector of great collections."

When Mrs. Zeddies was asked about the collection she said, recently: "Yes, it is true that my uncle made this vast collection, the greatest, I understand, in the world, and he left it to his brothers, Horace and Armin of Chicago, the former being my father. I have heard much of this mighty collection, though I have not seen all of it—it's too vast."

A Palo Alto Neighbor of Hoovers

Included in the numismatic fraternity is John A. Gill of Palo Alto, Calif., neighbor of the Hoovers, when they are at home in that city.

Mr. Gill now has a coin which he prizes more highly than any of the 5,000 gold, silver, cooper and currency items in his collection.

It is a copper cent, issued in 1849, similar in size and design to a \$10 gold piece. The coin itself is not one which ordinarily would be prized so highly by a numismatist, but Mr. Gill's cent piece is superimposed on a five-pound sterling silver plaque, presented to him June 30, when he retired after a century of service with railroads in the West.

Mr. Gill on a recent trip East was scheduled for a visit at the White House.

"Medals distributed by the King of Siam," says *The Pathfinder*, "are almost as common locally as public statues. Among the latest to be honored is Police Inspector Ernest H. Brown, Washington, D. C., who so diligently cleared a path for his majesty's auto."

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Mostly About Books

Prince of Wales Collects Books

According to London book dealers the Prince of Wales takes several book shopping tours each year.

On a rather recent tour he viewed the Bryon relics and asked many questions of the man in charge.

Many of the Prince's books are said to deal with industry, trade, economics and history. He also has a large number of inscribed copies he has had sent him by various authors.

The Duke of York is a book collector also with quite definite tastes.

President's Translation

Howard Vincent O'Brien writes in the Chicago Daily News: President Hoover's translation of Agricola's DE RE METAL-LICA, the standard mining treatise of the Middle Ages, now fetches around \$200, according to the director of the Engineering Societies Library:

'Two years ago this work, in which Mrs. Hoover collaborated, could be purchased for about \$7. Soon afterward book collectors discovered that the President was an author and rapidly bought the remaining copies in print.'

Georg Agricola, German scholar and scientist, 1490-1555, is regarded as "the father of mineralogy."

Morgan Library Has Rare Bible

A Bible described and claimed to be much rarer than the famous Gutenberg Bible, of which a copy was sold for \$305,000 five years ago, is in the possession of the Pierpont Morgan library, New York City.

Miss Belle da Casta Greene, director of the library, said this Bible was "much rarer than the famous Gutenberg Bible of which we have three copies."

University Has Important La Fayetteania

The University of Chicago Library has recently purchased from a New York dealer, E. F. Bonaventure, a collection of 250 unpublished letters and documents written by Gen. LaFayette or about him. Prof. Louis Gottschalk of the University faculty believes it to be the most valuable source of new La Fayette material in existence.

Among the interesting data contained in the collection is a manuscript copy of a letter from La Fayette to Napoleon in 1802. In it La Fayette compliments the Corsican on his accomplishments.

An important part of the material also is the correspondence exchanged between La Fayette's daughters and his son. There is also a last testament written by his sister-in-law, Louise Noialles, ten days before she was beheaded by the French revolutionary tribunal.

Lawrence Lewis and Bushrod Washington, nephews of George Washington, are represented by letters. One of these accompanied a brace of pistols which Washington bequeathed to La Fayette.

Chicago Book and Art Auctions

The Chicago Book and Art Auctions after a summer's vacation, held their first auction of the season on Tuesday Evening, September 22, offering for sale selections from the libraries of Dr. Godfrey Koehler and the late Donald Robertson. The sale included a wide range of selections in Western, Americana, Chicago and Illinois material, first editions of prominent American authors and fine library sets. Among the interesting items sold was a first edition of Lafcadio Hearn, "Stray Leaves from Strange Literature," which went for \$23.50.

John Ethridge, a member of the Boy Scouts at Porterville, Calif., recently came across a copy of Ayer's American Almanac, published 45 years ago.

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Famous Forged Shakespeare Papers

The following data is condensed and reprinted through the courtesy of The San Francisco, Calif. Examiner. T. M. Lilienthal, San Francisco, has recently acquired these forged manuscripts and placed them on display in his city.

"I am the author of Shakespeare's manuscripts!" was the favorite boast of Wiliam Henry Ireland, perhaps the greatest of of all literary forgers.

A collection of the famous "Shakespearian" writings which he forged in 1795, at the tender age of 17, were recently placed on display at Gelber and Lilienthal. Put together by the forger himself and bound in book form, they have recently been brought from London by T. M. Lilienthal. At the

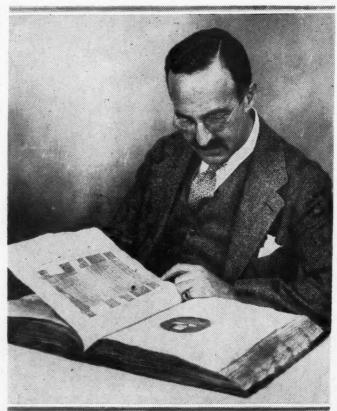
time of their appearance a century and a quarter ago they took all educated Englishmen by storm.

The boy Ireland was brought up by a father who was an enthusiastic reader of Shakespeare. The older Ireland and his literary cronies often discussed the mystery of the missing manuscripts of Shakespeare's plays. How could it have happened that England's greatest writer had left absolutely nothing in his handwriting behind him, with the exception of three signatures on unimportant legal documents?

FORGED DOCUMENTS

Acquiring some ancient paper, sixteenth century seals and a specially prepared brown ink, young Ireland decided to forge such writings as the man Shakespeare should have left behind him, but never did.

Pursuing this thrilling task, the self-styled "brother in genius to Shakespeare" forged signatures on various deeds, a spurious Profession of Faith which tended to prove that Shakespeare was a good Protestant, a love letter from William Shakepeare to Anne Hathaway, who became his



Courtesy San Francisco Examiner

T. M. Lilienthal, San Francisco, studying the collection of spurious eighteenth century "Shakespeariana," which he recently acquired in London.

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wife; love stanzas from the same to the same, receipt by Shakespeare for playing before the Earl of Leicester, introductory leaf to the manuscript of King Lear and, nothing daunted, an altered speech introduced into the play.

For good measure, the talented youngster also fabricated autographs of Queen Eliza-

beth and other personage supposed to have been in correspondence with the bard.

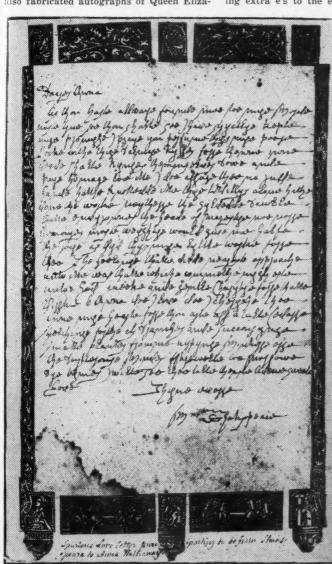
Finally, emboldened by the success with which his "Shakespearian" finds were acclaimed, Ireland wrote two plays, couching them into supposed Elizabethan English by recklessly duplicating consonants and adding extra e's to the end of words. These

plays proved to be his undoing.

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Ireland's own father and after him all literary men and critics of London were enthusiastic over the discovery. Boswell knelt in front of the relics and kissed them. The young man was received and complimented by the Prince of Waleş. Sheridan and Kremble prepared to stage Shakespeare's newly found "Vortigern" at Drury Lane, But the great Mrs. Siddons, after listening to the lines at rehearsal, suddenly declared that she had a cold and withdrew from the cast of the play. Only a few ribald newspapermen had dared to doubt the authenticity of the papers before her.

When at last Ireland was forced to admit that he had perpetrated a great hoax, one of these journalists wrote



Courtesy San Francisco Examiner

A Bogus Love Letter from William Shakespeare to Anne Hathaway, written by William Henry Ireland, and which was prounouced authentic by critics and experts in London.

sarcastically in the Morning Chronicle:

"W. H. Ireland has come forward and announced himself author of the papers attributed to Shakespeare; which, if true, proves him to be a liar."

Ironically enough, today these forgeries, as well as the volume of Confessions of William Henry Ireland, also in the possession of Lilienthal, are considered very valuable pieces of Shakespeariana.

Congressional Library Gets Air Rooks

Through use of money presented by the Daniel Guggenheim fund for the promotion of aeronautics, the Library of Congress, Washington, D. C. has acquired one of the finest aeronautical collections ever assembled.

The Guggenheim fund provided \$75,000 for the endowment of a chair of aeronautics, \$51,000 for the acquisition of material, and \$14,000 for expenses during the first two years, a total of \$140,000.

The new material includes four collections of importance from Europe consisting of the Gaston Tissandier collection (French), considered the finest collection in Europe at one time, and comprising 1,800 rare books and pamphlets.

The Herman Hoernes collection (Austrian), of 783 items; the Victor Silberer collection (Austrian) of similar size; and a collection of 621 rare items made by Maggs Brothers, book dealers of London.

The Langley collection, heretofore housed at the Smithsonian institute, contains over 2,000 publications.

The acquisition of these collections gives the Library of Congress an almost complete record of the history of aeronautics from the earliest times, as well as a vast store of mechanical data relating to the pioneer period.

The gentleman who is advertising in Kansas City and Kansas papers that he will pay \$10 each for good copies of Tom Sawyer of the 1876 blue cloth edition is at least cautious, says the Ottawa Herald. edition, if we mistake not, is the first edition of Mark Twain's book. We priced one once in a New York book store. wanted, as we recall, \$15,000 for it .-Quoted.

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MARGARET WHITTEMORE, staff writer for the *Topeka* (Kan.) Daily Call writes of the collection of bibles illustrated here as follows:

One of the most interesting and important exhibits of incunabula and old and rare books to be found in any college library in the United States is the collection of great versions of the Bible presented to Baker University, Baldwin, Kan., by Bishop William Alfred Quayle. One finds exemplified in the collection the history of the Bible from the early parchments to the most perfect workmanship of contemporary times.

The purpose of the gift was expressed thus in Bishop Quayle's will: "I give and bequeath to Baker University my collection of Bibles so that these books illustrative of chirography, printing and poetry of religion may be always before the eyes of the students to the end that thereby they may be incited to scholarly love of books and deep enjoyment of them and abiding love of God."

The Quayle Bible collection is said by Miss Harriet Osborne, its custodian to rank fifth in the United States in variety and close chronological sequence.



Courtesy Topeka (Kan.) Daily Call

Do You Collect Bibles'

Interest

An unusual amount of interest is centering around religious literature and Bibles in particular at this time it seems. Perhaps this is due to the fact that a few unusual editions have been found, and to press notices concerning important library bequests,

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After spending two years in making what he believes to be the world's largest Bible, and having just finished building a special automobile to exhibit it in, Louis Waynai, Los Angeles carpenter, will soon start on a tour of Canada, Europe, and Palestine, after motoring over the United States. Using a hand-stamping machine which he also constructed himself, Waynai individually stamped on to three-foot pages of his giant book every separate letter, symbol, and punctuation mark in the Bible, using his family Bible as a pattern. His book contains 8,048 pages, and weighs 1,094 pounds. The book spreads to a width of eight feet and two inches. When closed it measures 431/2 inches in heights, 34 inches in width, and it is 34 inches thick.

Bible Brings \$11,000

A Bible nearly 350 years old, the property of the Trinity Cathedral in Halberstadt, was sold for \$11,000 to pay for restoration of the historic edifice. The Bible was printed on parchment in Latin and dated 1462.

Important Editions Received at Princeton

Three valuable gifts have been made to the Princeton University Library recently, according to press reports—a Bible printed by Henrici Eggesteyn in Stroudsbourg about 1470, a copy of Virgil containing the Bucolics, the Georgics, and the Aeneid, printed at the First Sorbonne Press in Paris about 1470, and a complete edition of John James Audubon's "Birds of America."

The Bible consists of two volumes and was translated into Italian by Nicolo Malermi. It was printed on vellum by Vindelin de Spira, August 1, 1471. It is the only copy in America, there being only five other perfect copies of this first Italian Bible in existence. These are at Breslau, Gottingen, Paris, Manchester and Glasgow.

The Eggesteyn Bible is said to be one of the fifth edition. It is in Latin, hand rubricated in colors which are still fresh, and contains numerous marginal glosses in manuscript, probably made by an early owner. The original binding of pigskin over oak boards is still intact.

The First Sorbonne Press, which published the Princeton copy of Virgil, was operated in the year 1470 to 1472 by Ulric Gering, Michel Friburger and Martin Crantz, three Germans who are believed to have been invited to France to introduce printing to that country.

Of greater interest to the lay reader are the copies of Audubon. They are of a size known as the double folio, about 4 by 2½ feet.

Audubon's first volume was published in 1827; the last in 1838, the intervening years being occupied by the author's collecting trips. Of the original 159 copies, 75 are known to be in existence.

The Eggesteyn Bible was given to Princeton by the widow of William B. Isham of the class of 1879; the Virgil by Julius Spencer Morgan of the class of 1888, and the Audubon by Alexander Van Rensselaer, class of 1871. The volumes are kept for research and exhibition purposes in the Treasure Room of the library, which also contains many other rare books, including a first folio edition of Shakespeare.

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By WILFRED PARTINGTON in Bookman

The bibliography of Katherine Mansfield is short. There were less than a dozen of her works, They came with the promise of new sunshine on a spring morn: and her all too-brief and fitful day closed in an impressive twilight of collected letters and unpublished remains. But short though her bibliography is-and it has been almost doubled by the admirable work of her husband, Mr. Middleton Murry-it has had a larger share of attention from collectors than that of many authors who wrote more prolifically and even more ambitiously. The collecting-world is not so calculating as its ignorant critics sometimes suggest: the interest in Katherine Mansfield is an example of its impulsive affections. Whatever the morrow may bring forth, the first editions of this artist in the short story are having their collecting appreciation now.

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- Firearms -

"My Friend" Knuckle Dusters

By D. L. INGALLS



VERY few people are living today who know the history of the Knuckle Duster, or why the pistol was named "My Friend." In the early sixties, J. Ried was a manufacturer of revolvers in New York City. These were war times and every one wanted pistols so business was good in this line. But the war was over in 1865, and the sale of arms so dropped off that Mr. Reid became nearly bankrupt. He was forced to leave his old quarters, and move his plant to Catskill, N. Y. There he designed and

started the manufacture of Knuckle Dusters. The sale of these pistols met with unexpected success and the proceeds helped Mr. Reid so much financially, that he named them "My Friend."

The second model is a slight variation from the first, having a safety on the under side of the frame to prevent the weapon from being discharged while the safety is in place. They were made 22 calibre, 7 shot; 32 calibre, 5 shot; 41 calibre, 5 shot; also a 5 shot revolver 41 calibre. All metal marked Reids Derringer.

About this time a keeper at Sing Sing prison, suggested that Mr. Reid make some of the pistols with barrels, so a better grip could be had when using the weapon to strike a blow. A few were made this way, but they are very rare and are now seldom found. The old shop where the pistols were made is still standing on the banks of Catskill Creek and is known as the Pistol Factory.

The Wheelock

By MART F. HIGGINS

THIS seems to be the first radical change from the matchlock, and what a change it was, jumping from the simplicity of a piece fired by applying a live coal to an open vent, to a complicated arrangement of wheel, spring, flint, etc., and all wound up by a key. I don't think any were ever made in America, although some were undoubtedly used here in the early Colonial days. Most of the specimens found today seem to be very elaborately made with lots of inlays of gold, silver and ivory, both in the barrel and stock, and altogether seem to have been a little too pretty for

hard service. More of a nobleman's ornament than a huntsman's tool.

They were invented in Nuremberg, Germany, in 1515, and consisted of a stock and barrel similar to the matchlock but instead of a match, had the wheel type of lock from which they derived their name. The lock formed of ten separate parts, had on its side a wheel of small circumference serrated both ways at intervals. The pan was on the side and had a sliding cover. And in the side of the barrel side of the pan was the touch-hole. In a cock or jaw facing rearward was

contained a piece of sulphurous pyrite and later a piece of flint. This was drawn down to the pan so that the flint rested against the wheel. The wheel was operated by a strong spring which was wound up by a key or spanner, as we use to wind the old-fashioned clocks, then when the trigger was pulled the spring was released, the wheel revolved rapidly and grating against the pyrite or flint produced a shower of sparks which ignited the powder in the pan and then that in the barrel.

This gun had a lot of short-comings. It was a nuisance to wind on horseback and was useless if the winding key was lost. Moreover except in the more expensive ones, which were provided with a safety catch, a slight jar would release the spring and explode the piece when least expected.

The small ones were fired from the side, resting the butt against the body or across the arm. The larger ones were fired over a rest imbedded in the ground and known in England as a "gun fork," and in Germany as a "gabel."

I think these pieces were not very common. The cost of one would place it out of the reach of the common chap. I can imagine the old timers of that period turning up their noses at this new fangled fuss-budget contraption and drawing odious comparisons between it and their simple fire matchlocks which only required a live coal to insure its shooting.

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One dealer that we know of divides his vocations and avocations between guns and music. He can sit down at the pipe organ and play any of the classics with the same grace that he can identify an Abyssinian headman's sword or a hari-kari blade from Japan.

Defrauder Apprehended

Alvin J. Fink, 50, curio shop proprietor and owner of the Fink Fireworks Company, Dayton, Ohio was arrested recently on mail fraud charges by Deputy United States Marshall Mont Spillman and Postal Inspector Harry West when he made his daily visit to his mail box at the Dayton postoffice.

Fink is charged with several separate instances of using the mails to defraud, and faces a maximum sentence of fifteen years in a federal penitentiary.

Henry Morris, Chicago firearms dealer, one of those swindled by Fink, assisted the postal authorities in bringing about the arrest. Mr. Morris remitted \$25 to Fink who promised to ship certain antique arms that Fink alleged he was offering for sale as part of "an estate." Other complaints were made by men in Elkhart, Ind.; Elkins, Ky., and Mexia, Tex.

Mr. Morris has volunteered his services to aid the government in prosecuting Fink, who has it appears been in trouble before. Those who have had bad dealings with Fink can assist in the case by writing Mr. Morris at 29 East Ohio Street, Chicago.

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Firearms Data From Contemporary Sources

By FREDERICK W. POLLITT

Mr. Pollitt has been a collector of old time firearms since 1901, or thirty years, and has likewise during that time formed a collection of material such as books and other descriptive literature pertaining to firearms.—The Editor.

In the writer's library of old books there are volumes that give the firearms collector information concerning types of weapons that were in use in the past. The following information, it will be noted, is derived from books written about the periods in which the arms were in use, and gives an idea of "what's what."

Mexican Muskets in the Mexican War— 1846-1848

In the "Autobiography of an English Soldier in the United States Army Comprising Observations and Adventures in the States and Mexico," published by Stringer and Townsend, New York, 1853, are the following passages to interest collectors of antique arms.

This book includes in detail, the experiences of a U. S. soldier during his service in the Mexican War, 1846-1848. The soldier writes anonymously.

Page 199-"After leaving the village, and as we passed on to the bottom of the hill of Cerro Gordo, we found that the road was strewn with muskets and bayonets which the Mexicans had thrown away in their hasty retreat. The muskets were all of British manufacture, and had the Tower mark on their locks; but they were old and worn out, having evidently been condemned as unserviceable in the British Army, and then sold to the Mexicans at a low price. Undoubtedly they were good enough for soldiers like the Mexicans, who generally throw them away on their retreat, but after examining a few of them I came to the conclusion that but one of the great evils of guerilla warfare is, that it necessarily, by a process of retaliation which it induces, ends in a dishonorable and savage system of inhuman butchery and fiendish assassination. Captain Walker, a Texan, with his father and two brothers had been taken prisoners by the Mexicans in some foray which they had made on the Mexican frontiers, a few years before

the breaking out of the present war. With a large body of American prisoners taken at the same time, they were confined in the dungeons of the castle Perote, where a number of them soon died of the bad treatment they received. A proportion of their number were ordered by the Mexican Government to be shot the victims being indicated by drawing lots. Captain Walker's father and brothers were among those shot on this occasion, and it is said that he then resolved to pursue the Mexicans with relentless revenge on every practicable opportunity. He obtained his release some time after, with the remaining prisoners, and on the breaking out of the present war, having obtained the command of a body of volunteer dragoons, raised in Texas, and called the Texan rangers, he returned to fulfill his resolution, and pour

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out the vials of his wrath on the wretched peasantry. He was killed at a battle fought at a place called Huamantla, near Pueblo, about four or five months after this.

Captain John Brown of Harpers Ferry Fame

In "The Public Life of Captain John Brown by James Redpath with an autobiography of his Childhood and Youth" published in Boston, Mass., by Thayer and Eldrige in 1860, we find on page 193 that "in February (1857) when in Collinsville, Conn., he found for efficient service one of our muskets was equal to at least three of them. Some thousands of these muskets were collected and destroyed and the guns taken at the different forts were also burst and rendered unfit for use by the men left behind for that purpose under the direction of an engineer officer.

Captain Samuel Walker of the Texas Rangers

The following paragraphs come from other pages concerning Captain Samuel Walker, who, it is said, suggested the lever-rammer to Col. Samuel Colt. It was after Walker that the Walker-Colt revolvers were named.

"About ten o'clock we met Captain Walker and his dragoons. He had received information that a force had been collected with the design of attacking us, and had come out from Perote to our assistance. He left Perote on the preceding evening, and being conducted by a Mexican spy to a place where a large body of the enemy were assembled, he routed them in the utmost confusion, his dragoons cutting down a great many with their sabres.

"Captain Walker and his dragoons were much feared and hated by the Mexicans in the neighborhood of Perote. They had the duty assigned them of hunting out and routing the bands of guerillas who infested that neighborhood and as might be expected from troups on a service of that nature, they were said to commit actions at times that would scarcely bear a strict examination. It is reported that Captain Walker frequently told his men that he wished them to bring in no prisoners; the inference which his men were certain to draw from this hint may be easily con-

ceived. Brown, ordered the manufacture of his pikes. I remember, when in Boston, he spoke with great contempt, of Sharpe's rifles as weapons for inexperienced men, and said that with a pike, or bow and arrow he could arm recruits more formidably than with patent guns."

How he ordered the pikes is thus stated by a maker of them: "In the latter part of February, or in the early part of March 1857, Old Brown, as he is familiarly called, came to Collinsville, Connecticut to visit his relatives and by invitation addressed the inhabitant at a public meeting. the close of it, or on the following day, he exhibited some weapons which he claimed to have taken from Capt. H. C. Pate at the battle of Black Jack. Among others was a bowie knife and disk, having a blade about eight inches long. Brown remarked that such an instrument, fixed to the end of a pole about six feet long would be a capital weapon to place in the hands of the settlers in Kansas to keep in their cabins to defend themselves against "border ruffins" or wild beasts and asked me what it would be worth to make one thousand. I repl'ed that I would make them for one dollar each, not thinking that it would lead to a contract, or that such an instrument would ever be wanted or put in use in any way, if made; but, to my surprise, he drew up a contract for one thousand, to be completed within three months, he agreeing to pay me five hundred dollars in thirty days and the balance within thirty days hereafter.

"Having failed to raise the necessary money, the pikes were left unfinished at this time; but, in the following year, in the month of June, John Brown was again in Collinsville and completed the contract, and in August, under the name of J. Smith and Sons, ordered them to be forwarded to Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, upon which they were transported across the country to Harpers Ferry.

At Brown's trial after his capture at Harpers Ferry, testimony said that he had taken to that place for his raid 'Two hundred Sharpe's rifles and two hundred revolvers—what is called the Massachusetts Arms Company's revolvers—a little under navy size."

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p S d house about a mile from the Ferry and captured arms and ammunition together with clothing and other personal property, that Brown had stored there.

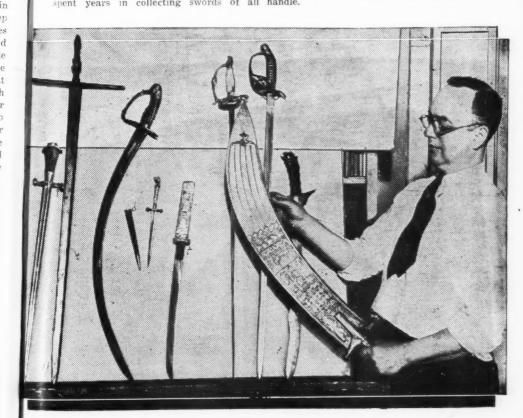
The arms, weapons and ammunition are thus described: "Against the front door were piled sixteen long and heavy boxes, one of which, upon being burst open, was found to contain ten newly-finished Sharpe's breach-loading rifles, evidently fresh from the hands of their maker, a box filled with bayonets and sabres, and several boxes of

rifle cartridges and ammunition. was, in all, twenty-one boxes, several of which were filled with Maynards' largesized patent revolvers, with powder flasks accompanying. The room was littered with Sharpe's rifles, revolvers and pikes, evidently distributed with a view to their immediate use, either for the purpose of defence or aggressive action. The captured boxes were placed for safe keeping in the arsenal of the United States."

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Rare Weapons of a By-Gone Age

THESE antique swords were put on sale countries and ages. Some of his colleca few weeks ago by Andrew Keller in tions have been displayed at the St. Louis his book shop in St. Louis, Mo. They Art Museum. In the picture are shown came from a collection belonging to a Crusader's sword, a Venetian dagger and William H. Owen, Jr., St. Louis, who has sheath, Japanese hari-kari knife with ivory spent years in collecting swords of all handle.



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Prominent New York Attorney Finds Guns an Absorbing Hobby

THE home of Howard V. Rulison, prominent attorney of Syracuse, N. Y., is a veritable arsenal it is said because of the many rare weapons housed there.

Pistols, guns, battle axes, swords, knives and even a rope used in the lynching of a horse thief are among the many things that Mr. Rulison has collected over a period of twenty years in his many wanderings in search of old rarities.

A reporter pointed out many things of interest in a recent article in the *Syracuse American* concerning Mr. Rulison's collection. Said he in part:

"Included in his array of more than 300 guns and pistols is a neat little Chicago palm pistol which is used to a great extent by Chicago mobsters in exterminating their competing members.

"The revolver is about two and one-half inches in length and for a chamber has a small disc-like affair that holds nine shells. The revolver fits in the palm of the hand and the barrel, of the snub nosed kind, fits between the index and second finger. It is fired by merely squeezing the hand.

Old Japanese Rifle

"Perhaps the oldest gun in his collection is a Japanese matchlock rifle that is well over 300 years old. It is in fine werking condition and the metal work is highly engraved with various oriental figures.

"The most valuable gun of the great many he has is a Scheutzen telescope rifle with a Ballard action. The barrel of the rifle was made by Harry Pope, considered the greatest barrel maker in the United States. When new the gun sold for \$250 and is worth many times that price today.

"When Mr. Rulison goes hunting he always uses his Scheutzen, which is a sure shot. It is easy to hit a mark a quarter of a mile away, he said. The powerful telescope attached on the top of the rifle brings out objects so clearly that while looking through it the object appears to be only a few feet distance away.

"Several Kentucky rifles of very old age are in his possession. The stocks are made of curly maple and are distinguished by their droop nose on the end of the stocks. They are still in use today by many of the Kentucky mountaineers in protecting their stills.

Has 1830 Shotgun

"An unusual rifle adorning the wall of the den room of Mr. Rulison is the first Roper revolving shotgun made in 1830. The gun has a large round chamber just ahead of the hammer and fires three brass cartridges. Each shell has a small nipple at the end of which is ignited as the hammer falls down on the cap.

A gun with a little history behind it is a flint lock rifle brought to this country by the Hessians when they were employed by the British to fight during the Revolutionary War. The rifle is in perfect condition.

You hunters who boast of walking many miles through forests in search of game should try out a sharp shooter gun used during the Civil War, which Mr. Rulison managed to get. It is a sure-shot affair, but the only drawback is its we ght. The rifle tips the scales at forty-five pounds and a special levelling board was used to load it.

Red Mike, Arkansas horse thief, who many years ago met his maker at the end of a slender rope slung over the limb of a tree on the western plains, is brought to mind as Mr. Rulison displays the rope, with the noose at the end, that was used in the hanging.

Punishment Stick

A punishment stick from the Switz Conde exhibition at Oswego is in the possession of Mr. Rulison. It is a slender bar of polished steel about a foot in length. Dangling at the end of a length of chain is a small steel knob. This was used in the old days in the punishment of thieves.

A South American lariat which is still used daily by vaquerors in that country is included in the collection. It differs greatly in comparison with the American lariat. The lariat is a short length of rope with two three-foot ropes attached. On each end of the rope are leather covered wooden

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balls about two inches in diameter. When a vaquero wants to catch a steer he rides alongside the beast twirling the lariat in the air and then flings it at the feet of the animal. The balls wind the rope about the steer's legs and throws it to the ground, which in a way is much more simple than the American style of throwing a lasso about the animal's head.

Although he has been interested in guns all his life Mr. Rulison did not start the hobby until about twenty years ago. Since then he has served several times as president of the Syracuse Gun Club.

World War Relic

One of the swords in his possession was found in an abandoned farm near Constantia during the late World War. One day when soldiers were in quarters at old Camp Syracuse a farmer went to the farm near Constantia and rented the abandoned place. Daily he drove back and forth to Syracuse in a dilapidated old car. This kept on for nearly a year when he suddenly disappeared.

He left a note behind to one of his neighbors, however, stating that they could have anything they found in the home. A search revealed many piece of fine German linen with German coat-of-arms imprinted on them.

Fall Exhibits

More than a thousand persons came to view a display of old firearms of the Charles Airgood Collection from Wabash, Ind., which was placed on display in South Bend, Ind., recently.

Other displays particularly attractive were old quilts and china belonging to Mrs. E. S. Gustin, South Bend.

Rare Sword in Antique Exhibit

In an antique exhibit held at the home of Mrs. Sydney B. Jameson, Virginia, a solid gold sword, which was presented to General Francis H. Smith, by the first graduating class of The Virginia Military Institute in 1842, and which was once lost and re-discovered in a blacksmith shop in Lynchburg, proved of much interest to the hundreds of visitors. Many other priceless relics were on exhibit.

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The stores found included "102 Sharpe's rifles, twelve Massachusetts Arms Company's pistols, fifty-six Massachusetts Arms Company's powder flasks, four large powder flasks, ten kegs of gunpowder, 23,000 percussion rifle caps, 100,000 Percussion pistol caps, 13,000 Sharpe's rifle cartridges, slightly damaged by water, 160 Sharpe's primers, fourteen pounds lead balls, one old percussion pistol, one Major General's sword, fifty-five old bayonets, twelve old artillery swords, 483 pikes, 150 broken handles for pikes."

In "Beyond the Mississippi, from the Great River to the Great Ocean, Life and Adventure on the Prairies, Mountains and Pacific Coast, etc., etc., 1857-1867 by Albert D. Richardson" and published in Hartford, Conn., by the American Publishing Company in 1867, is reproduced a letter from Captain John Brown which includes the following:

Albany, N. Y.

My dear Sir: 23th of April, 1857
The Worcester Gun Factory cannot supply
me with Revolvers in time; but the Mass.
Arms Co.. (whose revolvers I have used; and
which are much the same as Coks) offer to
let me have what I need being 200 for \$1,300,
thirteen hundred dollars.

Respectfully your friend,

John Brown

In a book entitled "Kansas, Its Interior and Exterior Life including a Full view of its Settlement, Political History, Social Life, Climate, Soil, Productions, Scenery, etc., by Sara T. L. Robinson" and published in Boston in 1857—we find the following in the year 1855:

"Rumors came in tonight that a box of Sharpe's rifles, consigned to this territory, has been taken off the boat at Lexington (Kentucky) and placed in the warehouse to await Governor Shannon's orders. Rumors fly as fast as autumn leaves. If, however, they have taken them, they will be useless to them as the sl'des (breach blocks) are understood to be in another place, and it will puzzle them quite as much to use a rifle open at both ends as it did the one they threw away in December as useless, because there was no ramrod."

Norwich, Connecticut

Norwich, Conn.: "Its importance as a business and manufacturing center and as a place of residence," a book issued by the Norwich Board of Trade in January, 1888, tells us under the title of "Pistol Manufactories" the following:

"Norwich for many years, has been interested in the manufacture of pistols and the making of these familiar and dangerous weapons has long been one of the chief industries of the city. A few years ago, it was said that more pistols were annually made in Norwich than in all the other pistol manufactories of the United States combined. As late as 1882 and 1883 when the trade began to fall off, from 45,000 to 50,000 a month were the products of the several manufactories in this city. Owing to over-production, close competitions and the decreased demand from foreign countries, the business in Norwich, as it has in many other places, has become less remunerative than formerly, especially on the cheap class of pistols, and several of the shops have stopped manufacturing. until times are better and the prices are satisfactory. It is rumored that one of the large pistol shops now lying idle will turn its attention to the manufacture of a new and improved patent gun, provided the works can be turned into a joint stock company.

"The Hopkins and Allen Fire Arms Company, whose extensive works on Franklin Street occupy nearly a whole square, is one of the largest concerns in this state engaged in this branch of industry, ranking third in importance to Colts' at Hartford and Winchesters at New Haven. They manufacture a superior class of pistol and also a celebrated grade of shot guns and rifles which find purchasers in all parts of the civilized world. The firm first commenced the manufacture of pistols in this city in 1868 and have successfully pursued the business from that date." Its number of guns and rifles made in a year was 6,000, while in a year it made 10,000 pistols.

"Thomas E. Ryan's pistol manufactory on Franklin Street, of which Mr. Ryan was the sole proprietor commenced business in 1877, employed in 1888 forty-five hands and made 30,000 pistols in a year.

"The Bacon Arms Company was first commenced under this name in 1858 by Thomas K. Bacon. A few years afterwards it was made a joint stock company, the business was enlarged, and for a long time did a successful business. For the last

two or three years (1885 on) the company has given up the manufacture of pistols, and are making a breech-loading, single-barrel gun, with reduced help from what they previously employed.

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Some Advice to Collectors of Indian Material

By WARREN KING MOOREHEAD

A BOUT 1880, when I was a boy, I became interested in Indian history. My home, Xenia, Ohio, was but three miles from Old Town (or old Chillicothe of the Shawano.) It was then and there that I searched the neighboring fields and began a collection. There are many interesting details concerning the gradual progress or development of this interest which, in good season will be published.

What I wish to particularly point out in this article is that many men who as professional ethnologists, archaeologists, or even anthropologists, began as collectors. Even in biology and general natural history not a few men, who later became wellknown for their work in pure science, as boys and young men, collected. This very commendable spirit of curiosity, and the collecting habit, is prevalent among our youth.

Confining ourselves to archaeology, pure and simple, such learned gentlemen as Rutot (Belgium), Capitan (France), Dr. Wilson (Smithsonian), Dr. Abbott, Professor Mills and a score of others, began as collectors. I had both the pleasure and honor to be in college at Granville, Ohio, with the late Dr. George A. Dorsey. He made a small collection, which he sold to me. Dorsey became, as everyone knows, more than a distinguished anthropologist. He broadened; and his two immortal books, "Why We Behave Like Human Beings," and "Man's Own Show," should be read by all men.

When one has spent the greater part of his life in the study of the American Indian, one is tempted to offer advice, although, possibly, some of it may be gratuitous. differentiate between the true spirit of the collector and commercial collecting.

There is a vast interest today in early Americana and anything that relates to Colonial history. No one can have the slightest objection to the purchase or sale of various "antiques" which we observe in the possession of individuals almost anywhere between Maine and California, Minnesota and Louisiana. The commercializing of these things does no harm to anyone. In archaeology it is quite different. The placing of high values on special forms in stone or clay not merely encourages fraud but results in vandalism. I don't like to use that term, but it is perfectly true. The woman or the man who, as an amateur, collects and studies in his or her locality, ancient Indian artifacts (or even those of modern origin) is to be encouraged in every possible way.

Men and women of the type I have just mentioned do some reading, keep accurate records of their finds, and archaeology to them is a real and interesting hobby.

In one section of the Mississippi Valley there is a mingling of three ancient cultures -a very important field. Some remarkable pottery and other objects have been found, yet commercial collectors have opened the graves and mounds, making no records, taking no photographs.

Any citizen has a right, of course, to secure archaeological material under our laws, but in the case of the important sector I have in mind, the State author:ties should act to preserve the finds, however, they have not done so. Our government very wisely preserved as national parks certain sections of the Southwest. What I would stress is that we sharply ... Now collectors, as well as persons who

MIXED COLLECTION

hundred \$1.50; 100 damaged arrow heads, \$1.70, small pottery bowl, \$1.00; 50 arrows, \$1.50: toma grave hawk strewed flaked hoe, 25c; 1 doub-le bit flaked



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are not interested, may see restorations of ancient life and local preservation of antiquities. This is a system that would be far better than commercializing the entire picturesque Southwest.

It seems to me that we should discourage in every possible way the promiscuous opening of mounds and graves, pueblos or village sites merely to obtain specimens for commercial purposes only. museum man during the past year, due to the hard times, has received a large number of communications from persons who have collections for sale. So few of these individuals were interested in collecting in the proper sense, or for the love of it. There is more or less agreement among research men and museum people to this effect that Mr. ___ approach his own people-city or town authorities, the Rotary or Kiwanis Clubs, the Women's Clubs, etc .have them arrange to keep the collection in the library, college or high school building in his own community.

The trailside museum is now very popular. I call to mind those recently located at Bar Harbor, Maine; Wolfeboro, N. H.; Harvard, Mass. (Not Harvard University); Bristol, R. I.; Lewistown, Ill., and so on through the list. Thousands of automobile tourists visit these places. Construction of a trailside museum is not expensive. The local collector and student here finds a proper outlet for his enthusiasm. His collection is not only preserved but it accomplishes great good-that is far better than selling it to be scattered throughout the entire country.

Personally I am very much encouraged to see a growing appreciation of the American Indian. Although few in numbers compared with other races, he produced more outstanding and distinguished personages than any other aboriginal people. is a certain charm and picturesqueness in his life. He gave us our entire country and added more to the food products of the world than any other race in all history. Certainly he is entitled to our respect and while, as I have mentioned, it is perfectly right and proper to collect and study, we should all use our influence against ruthless and indiscriminate destruction of his humble habitations and his graves.

Exposition of Indian Art

In order that the American Indian of today may receive further recognition as a serious artist, classic and modern, a group of eminent scientists, artists and art patrons have organized the exposition of Indian Tribal arts, which will open in New York in December at the Grand Central Art galleries, and will afterward be taken on a tour of the United States. The itinerary, already arranged by the College Art Association, includes showings in Philadelphia, Boston, Rochester, Buffalo, Cleveland, Detroit, Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Louis and Tulsa in 1932; and in San Diego, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Seattle on the West coast in 1933.

The organization is headed by Vice-President Charles Curtis, and its officers include John Sloan, the painter, Major-General Hugh L. Scott, the Honorable

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Charles G. Dawes, Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., Mrs. Dwight Morrow, Miss A. E. White and Mrs. Robert Walker. The project has the endorsement of the secretary of the Internior and the commissioner of Indian affairs, and of thirty-five cooperating museums and organizations of scientists and artists.

Modern pottery, carvings, paintings, baskets, jewelry and text:les will be exhibited with antique examples of Indian art.

The Basket Makers

Prehistoric Indian remains reported unearthed in the Apache country of Arizona have caused Neil M. Judd, Curator of Archaeology at the Smithsonian Institution, to prepare a trip of investigation to that vicinity.

It is believed that ancient basket makers, perhaps dating from 500 B.C. to the Christian era occupied the caves. The areas to be investigated will present many difficulties. It is rugged and mules will have to be employed for transportation.

Just when basket makers came into the West is not definitely known. It is assumed that they came from the North and Northwest, from northern Arizona, southern Utah, northwest New Mexico and southwest Colorado.

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Association News

A New Member Writes

Association Secretary:

"I was glad to receive your letter, welcoming me into membership in the North American Indian Relic Association. It is a real pleasure to be among the first to approve of such a union of those who appreciate the relics of the noble red man. Certainly I cannot conceive how it happens such an organization was not founded years ago.

"A suggestion that comes to me now is that those who come into the fold first should be classed as charter members—say the first 100 or so. This is the plan carried out in many fraternities. Years later it is always interesting to recall the 'pioneers' in any cause.

"Now one thought suggests itself in regard to my 'experience.' I have many relics with no history. I really mean I do not know where they were found. That is one point, it seems to me, that must be watched closer than ever in the future. It will mean more labor, but it will repay us in the end.

"I am not an old-timer, but eager for the 'quest' of Indian relies. Here is another thought; we should at all times take advantage of opportunities to display our wares. That is a good way to put the thought into other people's minds. And that means too that I shall at all times do all in my power to bring in new members.

"If we get our 'doings' into the university libraries of the country that will of itself be one big stride forward, for there we find the flower of the country in brains and money. That means HOBBIES has an objective if it can get into a position to send copies to the university libraries. Not only from an Indian relic standpoint but from many other hobby angles.

"Always glad to do what I can to carry on the good work already begun."—Robert H. Smeltzer,

This Modern Age

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Indian Lore; Ancient and Otherwise

By WILSON STRALEY

DURING August Professor J. E. Wrench of the University of Missouri history department, accompanied by J. J. Sullivan, son of Dr. E. W. Sullivan of Missouri, explored the country along Sac River, making the trip in a canoe, also along the Osage up as far as Warsaw. Professor Wrench is investigating the caves and rockshelters near these streams with a view of future excavation. He was engaged part of July in searching for traces of prehistoric man in that section of the state.

A special to the Kansas City (Mo.) Star from Seneca, Mo., says: "If plans of the ancient Keetoowah Indian Society, which existed among full-blood Cherokee Indians for more than a century, do not go wrong, a fitting memorial is to be erected to the memory of George Guess, or Sequagah, at some point along a new highway now running through the Spavinaw Hills from Tulsa into the Ozark country. It is probable this marker will be built near Grove or Jay, as many Indians still live in the hills near these two towns."

Every student and collector of Indian relics will enjoy reading "The Aborigines of the Ancient Island of Hispaniola," by Herbert W. Krieger, U. S. National Museum (Publication No. 3054). The plates accompaning the text illustrate many articles found in Haiti and Santo Domingo.

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Dr. F. V. Hayden, in 1867, while making a geological survey between the Missouri River and Rocky Mountains, met up with many tribes of Indians, and in numerous localities many stone artifacts. As he would meet the members of the various tribes he would ask them how far back in the past did the Indians use stone arrowpoints, and he never received but one answer. They would point toward heaven and say, "The Great Spirit only knows. We do not."

The annual report of the Smithsonian Institution for the year 1877, presents the following interesting item from the pen of

Edwin M. Shepard, Norfolk, Conn.; "This interesting discovery of arrowheads was made upon the farm of Mr. George Allerton, at Green Haven, Dutchess County, New York. The farm is situated in a beautiful valley about twelve miles from Fish-Kill on the Hudson. It seems that there were several log-holes scattered about the place, each, perhaps, twenty-five to forty feet in diameter. They have a few inches of water and several feet of rich muck, and are the resort of numerous frogs, turtles and snakes. Last July Mr. Redevaty, thinking that the muck would be an excellent thing to spread on his land, set one of his men at work hauling it out. While employed in digging, his spade brought up a number of arrowpoints. He described them to be nicely piled side by side, edgewise, in two or three rows. There were perhaps two or three hundred in all. On each side and on top were some charred logs and sticks, that seemed to be the remains of an old fire. They were ten or fifteen inches below the surface of the pond. They are of a blue jasper flint, and seem to be in an unfinished condition. I thought that probably the Indians had brought them from a distance (as I have never found any of the same rock anywhere in this neighborhood) and made this pocket and covered the traces of them by building a fire, intending to return and finish them at their leisure; or, perhaps, they hid them there to prevent their capture by their enemies."

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Familiar Names in the History of the Southwest

(Wichita Sunday Eagle)

Ouray, great Ute chief, gave his name to Ouray, Colo., and his tribe is perpetuated in the names of mountains, rivers and towns.

Geronimo, a name of terror in the old days, is today the title of a peaceful Okiahoma town, as well as of a peak, a town and other places in Arizona. His tribe, the Apaches, gave their name to countless towns, passes, mountains and rivers in the Southwest.

A tribe which left its mark all over the Southwest is the Wichita tribe. Wichita, Kan.; Wichita Falls, Tex.; Ouachita, Ark.; the Wichita Mountains, the Washita Mountains, and the Washita River of Oklahoma, all derive their names from these people.

The Cheyennes left their name all over the map in Kansas, Oklahoma, Colorado, Nebraska and Texas. Cheyenne, Wyo., and the Cheyenne Bottoms, Kan., are only two of many places named for them.

General George A. Custer, fiery and romantic, who met a hero's death at the hands of the Indians, gave his name to one county in Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado and Wyoming.

Briefs

Col. George W. Stewart, Calif., pioneer historian, authority on the Indian tribes of his section, and the "father" of Sequoia National Park, died at Visalia recently at the age of seventy-three years.

Mr. E. H. Hamilton, well-known firearm and Indian relic collector of Evanston, called at Hobbies' office this month. He showed us two spears about two and three-fourth inches long beveled to the left instead of to the right. He said that only one in five thousand were made that way. Look in your collections and see how many you have—if any. Why are they beveled to the left? Was the work done by a left-handed Indian?

Gus Togic says: "Monkey meat, commonly eaten by the South American Indians, is declared very strong and tough by travelers who have eaten it."

This Is the Life

R. B. Bernard, California, sends these notes following a delightful three weeks visit among the Yuroks, Hupas and affiliated tribes in the Pacific Northwest:

"Our sojourn (Mrs. Bernard accompanied me) among these people was as though we had been reliving one of the old stories of frontier life.

"We camped in Indian settlements where the white man is not seen oftener than once in two or three years.

"We poled and paddled on the Klamath River in the old dugout canoes, with an Indian steersman and yours truly in the bow with a paddle furnishing extra motive power when we run rapids.

"We helped the Indians net smelt on the ocean beach and to lay them out in rows to dry for the winter. Incidentally we also helped them eat the freshly caught fish, fried while still wet from the ocean, roasted mussels in the coals and ate them with bread baked in the same hot coals.

"We sat and listened to old 'squaw men' spin yarns of the old days and heard stories of Indian massacres related by men who were mere tots at the time.

"We just about lived on the country—fresh salmon, smelt, deep sea crabs, ventson and sweet corn with seven different kinds of berries to choose from for dessert.

"We photographed old Indians who had never posed before and we occasionally snapped one without their knowledge when they refused to pose willingly.

"A medicine woman donned her feather ornaments, elk skin cap, got out her charms and sang and danced her medicine ritual for us,

"This Fall we plan on going back to take part in the ceremonial dance which marks the end of the fishing season."

Steam Shovels Destroy Relics

Steam shovels have dug up and almost totally destroyed an ancient Indian mound in Louisiana which might have shed an entirely new light on prehistoric mound culture, it was stated orally September 24 by Winslow W. Walker, associate anthropologist of the Bureau of American Enthnology of the Smithsonian Institution.

"When I arrived in Jonesville," he said, "I found the biggest and most important mound leveled to the ground by highway workers. They needed dirt for roadbed, and finding this huge pile easily accessible, put steam shovels to work and tore it down. What was left in the debris indicates that the loss to science is inestimable."—United States Daily.

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Collecting in Saline County, Arkansas

By J. W. Ellis

THE Saline River, with its tributaries, drains a lot of territory close to Hot Springs, Arkansas. Hot Springs was probably as famous a resort with the Indians and prehistoric races as it is with white people today. This is shown by the different cultures found along the Saline.

Old camp sites and mounds are located about every half mile along the river. These camp sites range from small ones, of two or three houses, to large ones a quarter of a mile long. In one place on the main stream camps extend, with hardly a perceptible break for more than a mile.

Generally where a camp site is found that is subject to overflow, a high water camp will be found on an adjoining hill. With the exception of camp sites located on creeks, the camps are rich in surface finds.

The races that camped on the creeks seem to have been very poor. Only a few flint implements and very little pottery is found. On the other hand those that lived on the river were rich in pottery and stone implements. Arrowheads are found by the thousands. Stone axes, both polished and chipped, knives, celts, awls, drills, scrapers, hammer stones, clay and stone effigies and beads are very plentiful. These specimens vary from perfect workmanship to the crudest found in this country. In most camps are found crude hand tools that are exact counterparts of the Coup-depongs of France and Spain.

Professor Ellis, of the Ellis Museum of anthropology and archaeology, located at Maquoketa, Iowa, is very strong in the belief that these implements were made and used by a race as old or older than those of the rock shelters of France and Spain. Just why they are found with the more modern specimens is problematical. The two races may have camped at the same places, or the later tribes may have picked up and preserved the relics of the former inhabitants as we do today.

The idea that man originated in Europe has been accepted so long that it is hard to convince the professors of archaeology that man could have originated here as well as anywhere else. I fully believe that the

proof is here, but it will take time to collect all the evidence.

Modern cultivation is fast breaking up the artifacts of our former races, and those that are interested should keep busy collecting as camp sites are more easily located on cultivated ground.

The bulk of the specimens found in Saline County are in Professor Ellis' Museum, which is one of the largest privately owned collections of Arkansas specimens outside of this State.

Among the most interesting finds of this locality are flint banner stones. Chipped flint banner stones have never been found anywhere else. We find the regular, double bladed tomahawks, but the banner stones have the true butterfly shape, and are made exactly like the polished ones, except that they have no hole for the handle. No polished banner stones have been found here, but axes have been found that were both chipped and polished.

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Well-Known Folks and Their Hobbies

What Hollywood Hoards

Almost every shining star has a penchant for cluttering up the mansion or bungalow with some favorite article. They all collect wampum alias mazuma; some collect moss, others have acquired extensive and interesting collections of life partners, and still others collect alimony. Others collect—well, let's see

Betty Compson has a congestion of beautiful china-Dresden and costly. Jack Mulhall musters military relics. As might be suspected, Hobart Bosworth is interested in marine doo-dads. Richard Dix is strong for old pipes and John Ford sticks to walking canes. Willie Collier, Jr., picks up pins. "Sissy" Loftus, John Barrymore, Harold Lloyd, Ruth Roland and Ben Lyon amass autographs. In fact, Ben once got a black eye trying to get the scribble of a well known fighter. Frank Albertson caches railroad time tables (though he often misses the trains). Marjorie White has a motor complex and nurses the ambition to annex a car of every known make. Greta Garbo stores up stills from the pictures she's posed in. Joan Castle is a sample hunter, Al Green shelves first editions, Gary the Cooper is wild about Indian war bonnets, Louise Fazenda pyramids pewter and Billy the Dove dresses Mexican fleas .- The Pathfinder.

One of the prized possessions of Adolphe Menjou is a captain's commission signed by Napoleon.

Hobbies of Prominent People

The New York World- Telegram has been running a series of stories daily on prominent collectors:

Chas. B. Driscoll—old treasure chests Helena Rubenstein—dolls and Venetian statuettes.

Allan Langley—match-folders, paintings. Fannie Hurst,—mediæval altars, bracelets and bangles.

Phil Baker, comedian, collects accordians, and has more than 100.

Samuel Hill, the noted railroad executive, made a unique collection of reproductions of hands of noted men and women, carved out of marble and other materials. It is said to be the greatest collection of its kind in existence.

Houdini, the famous magician, possessed the largest collection of letters of the late Col. Robert G. Ingersoll, in the world. He was a warm personal friend of the great agnostic, and died with Ingersoll's name on his lips, but according to his manager, Elliot Stuckel, Houdini, himself, was not an agnostic.

The office of Mayor Roberts, of Reno, Nev., is a veritable museum of souvenirs, curios and relics.

John Barrymore likes odd pets and has, it is claimed, Hollywood's largest and most varied private collection of bird, fish and animal life.

Malony, a black vulture from South America, is the star's special pet just now.

Barrymore has a tremendous amount of money invested in his collections, which include in addition to animal life, first editions, Venetian glass, ivory, firearms, old prints and antique church vestments.

He owns the only dinosaur egg outside of the museums, it is claimed. This was a gift from a friend of his,

Richard Bonelli, the noted American baritone, is making a collection of statuettes, and he became imbued with the idea in a peculiar way. He was in Hollywood when the film actor, Rudolph Valentino, was buried, and sang at the funeral. The baritone refused to accept a fee for such services, but sometime later, Valentino's secretary sent him a little statuette from the collection of Knight in Armor which the film actor had made, and which was famous all over the world. And with that tiny statuette, less than a foot high, as a nucleus, Bonelli started his collection.

Congressman Ernest R. Ackerman, of Plainfield, N. J., is as every stamp collector knows, an ardent philatelist.

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How One Doll Hobby Grew

Mrs. Mae Barry, Arlington, N. J., as a member of the Drama Committee of the State Federation of Women's Clubs, discovered a woeful lack of knowledge concerning the proper costuming of plays-especially plays written in the past or dealing with foreign characters. Her interest was stimulated and she began the study of costuming with the idea of collecting the findings in a small volume for club use.

The subject proved so fascinating that she conceived the idea of dressing a small inexpensive doll to represent each well known character of fiction. Mrs. Barry plans now to enlarge her collection by the addition of dolls dressed in the present day fashion of all lands-using always the characters of

Her friends contribute odds and ends of silk, satin, lace and jewelry so that the ex-

pense is negligible.

"Perhaps the greatest good that my hobby has accomplished," says Mrs. Harry, "is the creating of a desire in the mind of my little daughter to know the stories woven about the characters whom the dolls represent."

For Post Card Collectors

"Picture post cards were first manufactured in England in 1894, though there is a record of a single card being produced in England three years previously. This was an official card, however, bearing an illustration of the Eddystone lighthouse, a model of which was erected on the grounds of the London Royal naval exhibition in 1891. Visitors wrote their cards on the premises and gave them to an assistant to post from the top of the lighthouse.

"The exact origin of post cards is doubtfu!, France and Germany laying strongest c'aims. In France the first picture card is believed to be one printed by a French stationer in 1870 in commemoration of a regiment's visit to the stationer's town. English stationers were showing a few cards of odd design to entice collectors before 1894, but these are so few and of such a different nature as to be negligible.

"Once started, it didn't take the post card long to "catch fire." In a few years it had become almost a mania. In 1903 Germany posted 1,161,000,000 cards, the United

States 770,5000,000 and Great Britain 613,-000,000. These early cards were of all sorts, scenic, commemorative, comic or bearing pictures of royalty .- Quoted.

Do You Collect These?

Harry SUFFRIN advertised a distress merchandise sale in the Detroit News.

TIETELBAUM & TEITELBAUM run a men's wear shop in Dublin, Ireland.

Henry HEARSE drives one at Knoxville, Ia.

A letter in the Cincinnati Enquirer suggesting that charitable organizations supply electric fans to poor people in summer is signed B. B. FANN.

COTTON and TWINE were tied with FARREL in the recent British open golf

tournament.

One of the chorus men (pardon, it should be "male juveniles") in Earl Carroll's new show is named O. U. BUGG.

A mail clerk in the central post office at Pittsburgh, Pa., has the initials, G. O. P.

Arthur LAWLESS is chief of police at Seneca, S. C.

The artists' bureau of the Columbia Broadcasting System expects its new head, Ralph WONDERS, to do just that.

A. SAP is the name of the lone street cleaner at Carroll, Ia.

Add marriages: Williard FRYE and Catherine CHOPPS at Columbus, Ohio; John F. ARGUE and Mary B. CHINN at Los Angeles; Arthur CATTS and KITTY FURR at Frankfort and Leroy SWEET and Geneva HART at Huntington, Mo.

Add divorces: Isaiah QUITTER and Ruby QUITTER at Little Rock, Ark.-The Pathfinder.

Cliff Wilson is a collector of live snakes and is constantly advertising to get more. However, they must be over seventeen-feet

Among the places where Hobbies may be purchased are the Times Square News Stand, 42nd and Broadway, New York City: Post Office News Co., 37 West Monroe St., Chicago, Illinois; California News Agency. Arcade Station, Los Angeles, California: Ted's News Shop, 1130 McGee St., Kansas City, Mo.

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Not One for His Collection

Speaking of unusual hobbies, here is one which comes near capping the climax. H. Reid, of Withdean, Brighton, England, has had a life-time hobby of hunting so-called haunted houses and trying to seek out ghosts. He says he has been searching for a real ghost since he was 10 years old. "I have never seen one, although I am now 66," he declares, "and I have slept in tome of the best known haunted houses in the country. He further says that he has slept in beds of people who have been murdered, and often visited graveyards on the darkest nights, but all to no avail.—Geo. J. Remsburg, Porterville, Calif.

"Horse Board"

In the olden days when a tourist or travelling salesman "put up" at the Glenn Springs, S. C., Hotel, a sign something like this greeted him (Reprinted from an original).

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 Horse per day
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 Horse per week
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Believe It or Not

Lloyd Cook, of Andover, Kan., has a razor, shaving brush and razor strap that has been in constant use for 85 years. The razor still is kept in the case in which it was bought by Mr. Cook's father, Benjamin A. Cook, at Goldsboro, N. C., when he was a young man. He died in 1885 at the age of 66 and Mr. Cook has used the razor ever since. It is estimated that the outfit has been used 8,840 times and at 25 cents a shave has taken \$2,210 off the income of the tonsorial profession.

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A bottle of beer 44 years old is in the possession of William H. Low, Evansville, Ind. It was bottled in 1887 for the Blue and Gray union there. It has a cork top with a wire over it and was kept as a souvenir by John Mounts who tended bar during the reunion. Low inherited the bottle on the death of Mrs. Mounts, his aunt.

"Enclosed is a money order for \$1 00 for which please extend my subscription to Hobbies for one year. Hobbies is just what the Doctor ordered."—E. H. White, Calif.

OBBIES, Time and the Numismatist are three magazines that I read from cover to cover and so far I am to

page seventy-five on firearms in the October issue. I write this to say that The Magazine is getting more interesting every month."- H. A. Brand, Ohio.

The Mailbag

"Every month when I receive my copy of HOBBIES I write you a letter in my mind voicing my delight over this magazine. For fear that one of these days I may be taken off your mailing list, and because I know how good it feels when one's efforts are appreciated, also because a preacher, of all people ought to pay his debts, I am ignoring a stack of work and actually carrying out my resolution of long standing.

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Your magazine is like a breath from the mountains. Of the large assortment of reading matter coming to my desk-and waste basket-it always commands attention and interest. I really think you're doing humanity a service. It seems anybody would find a new interest in living from reading Hobbies.

HOBBIES has greatly stimulated my collecting instinct and I am going to push my hobbies more systematically than ever."-Paul A. Wobus, Missouri Ozarks.

. . . . "We want to congratulate you on the splendid appearance of the October issue of HOBBIES. It is, without question, the most interesting magazine reaching our desk this month.

"We were also interested in your discussion pertaining to a commercial exhibit of Indian relics. There was an exhibit of this kind last summer on Steel Pier, in Atlantic City. It was brought to the Pier from Miami, Ohio. We are under the impression that it was a commercial success. At any rate, hundreds of thousands of visitors manifested unusual interest in the collection."-H. J. Gardner, J. B. Lippincott Co., Pa.

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tion at all times I am, -Warren Spitler, Va.

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"Start with September number if you can, please."-George L. Ott, Pa.

"Accept the enclosed \$1.00 as payment for a year's renewal to my subscription your splendid magazine Hobbies. I then Hobbies is the most wonderful magazine its kind that I have ever seen. Before I saw a copy of its six months ago I had never thought seriously of a hobby. Then I began reading your magazine and it began to dawn on me of the many interesting things that I was passing by, things that I had not thought could be so interesting as a pastime and at the same time be very educational.

"I have to date started two hobbies about which I am very much enthused. They are stamp and coin collecting. They are by no means new to the hobby world but are nevertheless interesting to me. I shall vary my stamp collecting from the usual order in that I shall not buy stamps in large quantities, but collect only the interesting ones I receive in my mail. In a short time I expect to receive letters from many foreign countries. I already have several first issues and foreign stamps. I am also collecting first flight covers.

"Be sure to post my renewal so that I will not miss a single copy. I am keeping all my Hobbies magazines, after I have read them, filed for reference.

"Wishing you continued success in all your endeavors, I wish to remain.—Clarence D. Snowden, Ark.

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Number 33—An Indian relic found in a plowed field with other Indian relics and is made of hard brown rock. Three inches long, one and one-half inches deep, and one and one-half inches wide. Has a groove cut lengthwise across curved top. Who will appraise this for a Missouri subscriber?

Number 34—A North Carolina reader would like to have an English Prayer Book dated 1863 with brass trimmings on it appraised. Also wants to know the value, if any, of Lincoln pennies having letters. Also a gold band ring with a small round bangle on a one-inch chain. On one side of the bangle is the date 1885; on the other side is a stork. Is this ring of any value?

Number 35—A California reader wants to know if this volume has value? On the titlepage is printed—"The Death of Able—in Five Books—Attempted from the German of Mr. Gessner—First Baltimore Edition—Printed and Cold by Warner and Hanna at the Bible and Lart Printing Office—1807.

Number 36—Will some one please appraise this old history for a Texas reader? The book is entitled, "The World, Geographical, Historical and Statistical" by Charles C. Savage and was published by the Phelps, Fanning & Co., New York, in 1853. It is in fair condition, size 5½ x 9 inches, is illustrated, and has 496 pages.

Number 37—An Illinois subscriber has a set (three volumes) of the Life of Columbus by Washington, Irving, printed by J. B. Lippincott & Co., 1873. He asks if this book has any value. "And why,' he also asks, "doesn't the modern sets of Irving's books contain The Life of Columbus?"

Number 38—What is the value of a copy of the Ulster County Gazette, published Saturday, January 4, 1800, a California subscriber asks. In this copy there are two articles describing the Entombment of George Washington, and also letters of condolence from the Senate and House of Representatives to President John Adams, and also President Adam's answers.

Number 39—Who can appraise this for a Missouri reader? The Gentlemen Magazine, No. XXI-1751. London, Full Annual Number Bound in one Volume 636 pages.

Number 40—Who will appraise this: "I have an old violin I have owned since 1888. On inside is printed in small letters 'Jacobus Stainer in Abfum prope Cenipontum 1733." The violin is in good condition.

Number 41—Are the different issues of foreign Red Cross stamps of World War date of any value, a Michigan reader inquires? Also wants to know if a 1736 silver Spanish coin inscribed "Hispaniarum Rex 1736" on one side and "lippus V" on the other side has any value?

A Leading Lepidopterist

EACH issue it seems that there is always more interesting material to add to the butterfly collecting activities of Lloyd Martin, still in his teens, of Chino, Calif.

His record is 1500 butterflies in one season, all from Southern California.

As a consequence of this feat he has been acknowledged as one of the state's leading lepidopterists—which is to butter-flies what a philatelist is to stamps and a numismatist to coins.

His collection which is all scientifically classified, includes some of the most beautiful butterflies in the world as well as two species, the Edward Swallowtail and the Navajo Skipper, which are found no where else on earth except in the arid, heatscorched wastes of the Mojave Desert.

His particular interests as a hobby along

these lines, lies in the studying of certain species which Nature has seen fit to protect from the birds and other ever present dangers. For instance, the leaf butterfly, which is native to the San Bernardino Mountains, resembles the foliage so closely as to be nearly indistinguishable to the casual observer, while the Cobra Moth's snake-like head proves so vital a power of suggestion as to actually frighten feathered intruders away.

Heard at Bridge

First Lady—My husband was a confirmed stamp collector when I married him a year ago, but today he never touches a stamp.

Her Friend—That is fine. To break off the habit of a lifetime in one year requires a strong will.

First Lady (softly)—Well, that is just the kind of a will I've got.—Weekly Philatelic Gossip.

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